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WOOOOOSH

KRRACK

FISHERMEN WILL TELL YOU THAT WHEN A **STORM** SWEEPS THE PACIFIC COAST, THE ONLY **SAFE** AND **QUIET** PLACE TO STAY IS AT THE **BOTTOM** OF THE SEA...

BZZZZz

BLINK

BLE

RLBLRRRUUMMBLE

KRKRRRRKKK

NOT THIS TIME.

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ACTIVATE THE SECURITY SYSTEMS! SHUT DOWN ALL OIL PIPES AND ISSUE AN IMMEDIATE PLATFORM EVACUATION! GO! GO!

CONDUITS 2 AND 4 ARE NOW CLOSED!

"CONDUITS 1 AND 3 ARE NOW CLOSED!"

SKA-TRAVG N SAMA SFR

"C-CONDUITS 5 AND 6 ARE NOW... HOLY COW!"

SKRAKKOOOOMMM

H$ $

RRUUUUUMMMBLE

BAM

BANG

:AAAH!:

MAN OVERBOARD! HELP!

WOOSH

KMK

MISTER CRUNCH

SPLASH

MISTER CRUNCH

GOOD MORNING...

BIG DEAL.

RUSTLE

MISTER CRUNCH

...AND WELCOME TO CHANNEL OO NEWS! IN TODAY'S TOP STORY, WE OPEN WITH SOME SHOCKING IMAGERY OFF THE CALISOTA COAST...

...SPECIFICALLY, THE SPECTACULAR AND NEAR-DEVASTATING ACCIDENT AT DAWN THAT THREATENED TO CRIPPLE McDUCK OIL!

WAIT, WHAT?!

OUR NEWS CREWS WERE THE FIRST TO ARRIVE AT THIS DISASTROUS SCENE...

...WHERE WE FOUND THE McDUCK OIL RIG TILTED AT A HARROWING ANGLE—THANKS TO THE COMPLETE FAILURE OF ONE OF THE RIGS' SUPPORTING PYLONS!

LIVE

OO

CHANNEL

SO FAR, ALL WORKERS ON BOARD THE RIG ARE RESCUED AND ACCOUNTED FOR...

...WHILE AN **ECOLOGICAL DISASTER** HAS THANKFULLY BEEN **AVERTED** DUE TO McDUCK OIL'S EMERGENCY PROTOCOLS-PUT IN PLACE TO PREVENT CRUDE OIL SPILLAGE!

GREAT HONK...

DUCKBURG COAST GUARD

LIVE

OUR ROVING REPORTER, **LYLA LEE**, IS NOW LIVE WITH COMMENTARY FROM **SCROOGE McDUCK** HIMSELF!

ANY WORDS ON TODAY'S INCIDENT, MR. McDUCK?

AYE, LASS... I'M BOTH **SATISFIED** AND **SORRY!**

SATISFIED, BECAUSE... NOT ONLY ARE ALL MY RIG TECHNICIANS ***ALIVE*** AND ***WELL,*** THEY ALSO DIDN'T LOSE A SINGLE ***DROP*** OF OIL!

WELL, ***THAT'S*** GREAT... BUT WHY ARE YOU ***SORRY?*** INSURANCE SHOULD COVER ALL THE DAMAGES!

AYE. THAT'S EXACTLY THE PROBLEM... I OWN THE INSURANCE COMPANY!

BWAHAHAHA!!!

BWZZ

MORNING, DONALD!

ONE! MY FAVORITE ***ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE!*** IS BREAKFAST READY, BUDDY?

READY-STEADY! TODAY'S MENU INCLUDES: MILK, COFFEE, LINGONBERRY JAM, ORANGE JUICE AND AN ENTREE OF ***SHOCKING NEWS!***

A BALANCED BREAKFAST FOR AN UNBALANCED DAY!

AND SO...

ALL RIGHT, ONE, I'M LISTENING.

GOOD! NOW, I ASSUME YOU ***HEARD*** ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED OFF THE DUCKBURG COAST...

YEAH, I KNOW ***ALL*** ABOUT IT.

BURP

ERROR. ***FATAL ERROR.*** YOU KNOW ***ALMOST*** ALL–BECAUSE WHAT THE NEWS ***DIDN'T*** SAY WAS ***HOW*** THE PLATFORM COLLAPSED!

HEY... YOU'RE RIGHT! SO I GUESS IT WAS AN ***EARTHQUAKE?***

INDEED! THE RIG MANAGER MENTIONED THAT OFF CAMERA! BUT... WANT TO KNOW SOMETHING ***BIZARRE?***

SHOOT!

AT DAWN, THE TIME OF THE ACCIDENT, ***NO SEISMOGRAPHIC ACTIVITY*** WAS DETECTED ***ANYWHERE*** IN CALISOTA! DO YOU REALIZE WHAT THAT MEANS?

HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO MULL IT OVER?

'CAUSE I KNOW THESE ***BOW-TIE-WEARING ROCK-GUYS...*** AND I ***SWEAR*** THEY-***HEY!*** ONE? WHERE'D YA GO?

BEHIND YOU, DONALD!

I'VE GOT YOUR EXPLANATION ***RIGHT HERE!*** MASTER DUCKLAIR'S ***ADVANCED SEISMOGRAPHIC DETECTION*** SYSTEM ***SAW*** THE ACTIVITY THAT THE OTHERS MISSED! SEE?

FRRRR

SEE ***WHAT?*** IS THIS AN ASSESSMENT OF UNCLE SCROOGE'S ***BLOOD PRESSURE*** AFTER BEING BILLED FOR DAMAGES?

:UGH!: ***NO, DONALD!*** THIS IS CONCRETE ***PROOF*** THAT AN EARTHQUAKE ***DID HAPPEN!***

AND?! BIG DEAL! SEISMOGRAPHS ARE ***MACHINES!*** MACHINERY CAN BORK UP JOBS AND MAKE ***MISTAKES!***

NONSENSE! I AM A MACHINE AND I ***NEVER*** MAKE MISTAKES!

EX-***CUSE*** ME, MR. TOUCHY!

STOP THAT! THIS IS MORE SERIOUS THAN YOU REALIZE!

LOOK... THE SIDE NEAREST YOU IS THE WEST COAST. THE ***RED DOT*** IS THE EARTHQUAKE'S ***EPICENTER!***

WASHINGTON D.C.

DUCKBURG

THE PROBLEM IS– ***OUR*** MYSTERIOUS QUAKE WASN'T AN ***ISOLATED*** INCIDENT...

...BECAUSE AT THE ***SAME*** TIME, IN ***FIVE DIFFERENT SPOTS*** AROUND THE PACIFIC... I DETECTED THESE ***OTHER*** QUAKES...

BLINK

DUCKBURG

...AND I BELIEVE THEY ARE ***MANMADE!*** 100% ***UNNATURAL*** SEISMIC PHENOMENA, DONALD.

IT APPEARS THE TECTONIC ENERGY OF THESE TREMORS WAS ***GUIDED***– CONTROLLED IN A WAY THAT ESCHEWS ALL DETECTION!

W-WAIT... ***REMOTE-CONTROLLED QUAKES? HOW?!***

THAT'S WHAT ***WE'RE*** GOING TO FIND OUT! ***SIX SIMULTANEOUS QUAKES*** MEANS A ***PLAN*** IN PLAY...

FUTTERMAN'S FAULT? WAITASEC... WHY DOES THAT SOUND FAMILIAR?

WAKE UP, YOU ***EARTH-QUACK!*** IT'S THE EDGE OF THE ***CONTINENTAL PLATE*** THAT DUCKBURG ***SITS*** ON!

...ESPECIALLY SINCE ***EACH*** OF THE SIX OCCURRED EXACTLY ***50 NAUTICAL MILES*** FROM THE EDGE OF ***FUTTERMAN'S FAULT! NOW*** DO YOU GET IT, DONALD?

DUCKLAIR TOWER WAS BUILT *RIGHT ON A FAULT LINE!* YOUR CITY, YOUR NEPHEWS, YOUR UNCLE'S MONEY BIN, AND EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD ON THE *ENTIRE WESTERN SEABOARD* ARE IN *MORTAL PERIL!*

GREAT DAY IN THE... *THIS IS AWFUL!* SOME*ONE*... OR SOME*THING*... CAN UNLEASH *UNPREDICTABLE EARTHQUAKES!*

WELL... NOT ENTIRELY!

JUST *BEFORE* THE TREMORS HIT, I DETECTED TINY ELECTROMAGNETIC *ANOMALIES* IN THOSE AREAS–

PERFECT!

PARDON?

ER... WHAT I MEAN IS, IF YOU CAN *PREDICT* 'EM, THEN THAT'S A *GOOD SIGN!* RIGHT?

-SIGH- I'M GUESSING THAT'S A "NO."

YOU GUESSED CORRECTLY, HERO-BOY. THOSE TEENY ANOMALIES WON'T MEAN *SQUAT* UNTIL I'M ABLE TO *FULLY ANALYZE* THEM!

AND THAT'S WHERE *YOU* COME IN, AVENGER! *YOU'RE* GOING TO VISIT THE *CRIME SCENE!*

UNCLE SCROOGE'S OIL RIG? WHAT ARE YOU HOPING I'LL FIND THERE?

CLUES! SOMETHING– ANYTHING–TO HELP US SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF THE *ARTIFICIAL EARTHQUAKES!*

FSSSSSS

STEP INSIDE, D.A.!

ZWOOO

HAR-HAR. YOU'RE NOT TAKING THE *REVENGER* ON *THIS* TRIP.

BZZZ

MEET THE *TECHNODIVER!* A FULLY MANEUVERABLE, VEHICULAR SUBMARINE–EXTREMELY FAST AND SUPER-QUIET! CRAFTED BY–

...*EVERETT DUCKLAIR!* OUR RELUCTANT MAD GENIUS! WHO ELSE?

IF I EVER GET *WHY* YOUR BOSS *BUILT* HIS BATTALION OF MECHA-MONSTROSITIES, IT WON'T BE A MOMENT TOO SOON!

I MEAN–A TRICKED-OUT *SUPER-SKYSCRAPER, TWO* OF THE WORLD'S MOST COMPLEX *ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCES,* A *STARCRUISER* ON THE ROOF, THE *REVENGER,* A STINKIN' *SUBMARINE*–DID I FORGET ANYTHING?

ONLY THE *JET* YOU'RE SO CASUALLY STANDING ON.

WAK!!!

ANOTHER SURPRISE?! DUCKLAIR TOWER ISN'T A TOWER AT ALL! IT'S THE WORLD'S LARGEST *MECHANICAL EASTER EGG!*

CLANK

AND THIS GARAGE IS ONLY A SMALL PART! I'LL SHARE THE TOWER'S *OTHER* TECHNOLOGICAL MIRACLES WITH YOU WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT. *MAYBE.*

UH-HUH. ONE, IF THOSE "TECH MIRACLES" ARE ANYTHING LIKE *TWO,* I'LL PASS!*

* SEE DUCK AVENGER NEW ADVENTURES: BOOK... ER, 2!

-AHEM!- THE TECHNODIVER IS READY TO LAUNCH, SO *SUIT UP* AND *GET IN!* BY THE WAY, I'VE TAKEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO EDIT ITS *LOGO* IN YOUR HONOR.

PEACHY... BUT I'VE NEVER PILOTED ANYTHING LIKE THIS!

OH, PLEASE. EVER RIDE A *BIKE?*

OF COURSE!

WELL IT'S JUST LIKE *THAT....* ONLY *COMPLETELY DIFFERENT!* SO NO WORRIES!

IF THERE'S ONE THING I CAN'T STAND, IT'S YOU CRACKING CORNY *JOKES* WHEN I'M ABOUT TO RISK *ALL* MY TAILFEATHERS!

SOMETHING TROUBLING YOU, D.A.?

YES! SEE, I SHOULDN'T GO *SWIMMING* AFTER *EATING!* I JUST HAD *BREAKFAST...*

EXIT

"NOW WHO'S CORNY? BON VOYAGE, D.A.!"

FLOOSH

WHOOOOOMMM

SCHWAP

CHIEF... WE'VE GOT VISITORS!

SOMEONE... OR SOME*THING*... IS APPROACHING McDUCK'S OIL RIG...

BIIP

!

ONE OF *OURS?*

NO, MA'AM. WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

...AND *WHATEVER* IT IS, IT'S COMING IN LIKE *LIGHTNING!*

SEND A SUPPORT SQUADRON TO INTERCEPT.

NOW.

WATER ABOVE, WATER BELOW... *BAH!*

DBI

I GUESS THIS TRIP WASN'T ***POINTLESS*** AFTER ALL! OTHER FOLKS ARE HERE TOO!

I NEVER IMAGINED SO MUCH ***TRAFFIC...*** LIKE DUCKBURG AT RUSH HOUR!

YOU GETTING THIS, ONE?

LOUD AND CLEAR! ANYTHING TO REPORT?

TECHNICIANS FROM McDUCK OIL?

?

LOTS! A GANG OF... "TECHNOCREEPERS" ARE WORKING ON THE PLATFORM...

I DON'T THINK SO...

*THEY'RE WEARING DIVING EQUIPMENT FROM THE CALISOTA **DEPARTMENT** OF THE **ENVIRONMENT!** IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE DOING EXAMINATION SURVEYS...*

KEEP AN EYE ON THEM, AVENGER... BUT *DON'T* LET THEM DISCOVER YOUR WHEREABOUTS! WE CAN'T RISK REVEALING YOUR PRESENCE!

CLACK

WHUH-OH.

"WHUH-OH"? WHAT DID YOU *DO?!*

YOU GAVE GOOD ADVICE, BUT IT CAME TOO LATE! *GOTTA GO!*

COOPER TO *FLAGSTARR!* WE'VE SPOTTED THE INTRUDER! YOU WON'T BELIEVE IT, MA'AM, BUT IT'S... THE *DUCK AVENGER!*

IN FACT, CONSIDERING THIS IS NOW A *FEDERAL OPERATION,* HE'S ALSO COMPLETELY *OUT* OF HIS JURISDICTION!

I WANT TO MAKE *CHITCHAT* WITH DUCKBURG'S VIGILANTE HERO. *BRING HIM IN!*

THE AVENGER? WELL, THIS IS A *PRIVATE* PARTY--AND HIS NAME *ISN'T* ON THE INVITE LIST!

ARREST THE AVENGER? YOU'RE JOKING!

YOU KNOW I *NEVER* JOKE WHEN I'M ON DUTY, COOPER.

?!

TIME TO RETREAT, ONE! I'VE SPIED ON SOME GUYS WHO DIDN'T *LIKE* IT...

...AND I'M *SURE* I DON'T WANNA *FIGHT* 'EM! THOSE BIRDS ARE TOUGH!

WHO? THE D. OF E. *DIVERS?*

WORSE! *FEDERAL* AGENTS! *THE DBI!*

IS THAT ALL? I WAS THINKING *WAY WORSE!* LIKE BILL COLLECTORS OR EVRONIANS!

COOPER TO FLAGSTARR! THE AVENGER'S GETTING AWAY! HE'S TOO FAST, MA'AM!

I WOULDN'T LET HIM *ESCAPE* IF I WERE YOU, COOPER...

...UNLESS YOU *WANT* TO SPEND THE REST OF YOUR CAREER WORKING AT A REMOTE *ALASKAN RADAR STATION!*

U-UNDER-STOOD, CHIEF!

DOLPHIN TO COOPER! HE'S GETTING AWAY, SIR!

NOT *YET,* HE ISN'T! LAUNCH THE *MAGNETIC NET! QUICK!*

THESE GOONS ARE RELENTLESS! BUT THE DBI *PAYS* 'EM TO BE!

GOT YOU, AVENGER! NOW DON'T MOVE...

COOPER

FIRE!

FOOMP

TWANG

DA

!

GOT HIM!

CRUD!

EMERGENCY! I'M IN A JAM, ONE! I LOST THE TECHNODIVER!

WE'VE GOT THIS, D.A.! STAY CALM, DON'T PANIC, LISTEN CAREFULLY, AND DO *EXACTLY* AS I SAY...

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THIS AREA! HE FELL IN *THIS* KELP BED! I'M SURE!

BUT *WHERE* IN IT?

WAY CLOSER THAN YOU THINK, PAL!

BLUB BLUP BLUP

BLBLUB LB BLBLUB

THE AVENGER! STOP HI-*OOF!*

FALL BACK! FALL BA- =URGH!=

SORRY TO PLAY ROUGH, BUT I NEED MY *RIDE* BACK!

WOOOSH

YOU WOULDN'T WANT ME TO *WALK*, WOULD YOU?

AVENGER! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

NEVER FELT BETTER! YOUR PLAN WORKED LIKE A CHARM, ONE!

USING THE *SPARE OXYGEN* IN MY TANKS TO GIVE ME A "FLIGHT BOOST" WAS BRILLIANT! MOMENTS LIKE THAT ARE WHAT MAKES A *MASTER SUPERHERO'S LIFE* WORTHWHILE!

YES...

...BUT IF YOU WANT TO KEEP LIVING, YOU'D BETTER SHUT YOUR MOUTH AND HOLD YOUR BREATH! SEE YOU AT HOME, D.A.!

HE'S MOVING *AWAY*, MA'AM...

=HMPH= GUESS YOU WIN OUR FIRST ROUND AFTER ALL, DUCK AVENGER...

...AND HIS SIGNAL'S SCRAMBLED! HE'S *GONE.*

TWEEP

...BUT I'LL TAKE YOU DOWN SOON ENOUGH! *BET ON IT!*

MARY ANN FLAGSTARR

DUCKBURG BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

:WAH-CHOO!:

!

!!

BLESS YOU!

I T'INK I COT A *CODE.*

BRIEF, BUT *INTENSE* MISSION, EH? YOU SEEM DOWN...

:SNORT!: WHAT I DESERVE IS A *MEDAL!*

LET ME GUESS... YOU NON-ELECTRIC TYPES CALL THIS *SARCASM,* CORRECT?

WE *REALLY* BLEW IT THIS TIME, ONE! INTERFERING WITH A GOVERNMENT OPERATION IS A *FEDERAL OFFENSE!*

NOW I'M A *MASTER CRIMINAL!* MY BEAK WILL END UP ON MILLIONS OF *WANTED POSTERS!*

HATE TO BRUISE YOUR EGO, D.A., BUT IT'LL *NEVER HAPPEN!*

YOU MEAN LIKE *THIS?*

WHAT MAKES YOU SAY THAT?

WOULD YOU RATHER HEAR THE LONG, COMPLEX *LOGICAL* EXPLANATION... OR THE *SHORT DONALD DUCK VERSION?*

YOU KNOW ME! *I'LL TAKE VANILLA!*

OKAY: "VANILLA." IF THE *DBI* IS INVOLVED, YOU CAN BE SURE THIS ENTIRE MESS IS MEANT TO REMAIN *CONFIDENTIAL!*

NOT QUITE VANILLA, BUT I GET IT. SO WHAT'S THE SHORT VERSION?

THAT *WAS* THE SHORT VERSION!

ONE... IF THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT *AND* THE *FEDS* ARE INVESTIGATING A QUAKE, THEN YOU *KNOW* SOMETHING *BIG* IS UP!

AGREED! BUT WE NEED TO KNOW *MORE!* I HOPE YOU HAVEN'T MADE ANY COMMITMENTS TODAY, DUCK AVENGER...

"...BECAUSE IT'S TIME WE PAID SOME NEW FRIENDS A VISIT!"

SHOOSH

USA
STATE OF CALISOTA
DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
DOE
500 FTS

GOOD MORNING, *PROFESSOR FAIRFAX!* GREAT TO SEE YOU!

GOOD MORNING TO *YOU*, JIM!

GREAT SEEIN' YA, PROFESSOR! AND THANKS FOR THE CONCH SHELL YOU GAVE MY KID TIMMY! HE *LOVES* IT!

I FIGURED. TELL HIM HI!

WELCOME BACK, NAPOLEON! HOW ARE YOU?

MUCH BETTER! I CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH, PROF. FAIRFAX! THANKS TO THAT *LOAN* YOU GAVE ME, I-

THINK NOTHING OF IT, FRIEND. RELAX. ALL YOU NEED TO FOCUS ON IS GETTING *BETTER.*

THANKS AGAIN!

REPORTING IN, SERGEANT!

IDENTIFICATION RETINAL PRINT

DIE

SUBJECT: *PROF. MORGAN FAIRFAX.* RETINAL PRINT POSITIVE. SUB-LEVEL 5A CLEARANCE. ACCESS GRANTED.

ALWAYS WITH THE JOKES, PROFESSOR! GOOD MORNING!

MORNING, MCADAMS! DR. COWPUNCH! HIYA!

HEY THERE, MORGAN!

GOOD MORNING, PROFESSOR!

OH! GOOD MORNING, PROF. FAIRFAX! YOU'VE GOT A *VISITOR* HERE WAITING!

DIE
DOC. MORGAN FAIRFAX
PRESIDENT

BZZZZZ

REALLY, MISS CANIFF? I WASN'T EXPECTING ANYONE!

YOU CAN MAKE AN EXCEPTION FOR *ME,* PROFESSOR.

OF COURSE, AGENT FLAGSTARR! FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S *HEAD OF SECURITY,* MY OFFICE IS *ALWAYS* OPEN!

THE McDUCK OIL RIG MISSION HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED, PROFESSOR.

DISCONTINUED? WHAT ON EARTH FOR?

AN INTRUDING VIGILANTE ISSUE: *THE DUCK AVENGER.*

PLEASE, AGENT FLAGSTARR, SIT. LET ME GET YOU A CUP OF COFFEE FROM THE HALL! I ASSURE YOU... IT'S *ORGANIC!*

HERE'S THE MISSION DOSSIER, SIR. YOU'LL FIND ALL THE DETAILS INSIDE.

THANK YOU, AGENT. THAT'LL BE ALL. NOW REGARDING THAT COFFEE–

DON'T SWEAT IT, PROFESSOR! IT CAN WAIT FOR ANOTHER TIME!

NO WORRIES, MADAM.

THE DUCK AVENGER...

HERE WE ARE! AFTER YOU, AVENGER!

HEY! THIS IS THAT *I.I.S.* THINGY– THE ***IMMERSIVE INTERFACE SYSTEM!*** ARE WE GOING BACK TO ***CYBERSPACE?***

NOPE! WE NEED THE I.I.S. TO ACCESS THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT'S TERMINALS–A TREASURE TROVE OF INFORMATION JUST ***WAITING*** TO BE READ!

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR DIGITAL MIND?!

I AIN'T GOIN' IN! FIRST OF ALL, I'M 100% SURE THAT I'VE HIT MY ILLEGAL INTRUSION ***THRESHOLD*** FOR TODAY! SECOND OF ALL–

STOP! RELAX! HOLD ON!

I'LL PUT IT THIS WAY... WE'RE NOT GOING IN TO ***STEAL*** DATA! WE'RE NOT ***HACKERS*** HERE, ***WE'RE*** DETECTIVES...

...AND THIS IS THE BEST WAY FOR US TO FIND ***CLUES!***

A PERFECT PAIR OF ***NOISY, NOSY BUSYBODIES*** IS WHAT ***WE*** ARE! I'D ASSUMED EVERETT DUCKLAIR TAUGHT YOU SOME ***MANNERS!***

:HMPH!: MASTER DUCKLAIR PROGRAMMED ME TO TAKE THE MOST ***LOGICAL*** COURSE OF ACTION! TODAY–***THIS*** IS IT!

FINE! BUT WHAT IF THE FEDS *DETECT* US? THEY'LL BE ABLE TO TRACE OUR *CONNECTION* BACK TO ITS *SOURCE!* AND THEN–

THAT *WON'T* HAPPEN. I'M CREATING A *BYPASS...*

"...BY ENTERING THE COMPUTER OF A MUTUAL FRIEND!"

LYLA, I LOVE AMERICA! LAND O' KONA JAVA AN' HAZELNUT DONUTS! D'YOU KNOW HOW HARD IT IS T' FIND THESE DELICACIES IN *MY* PART O' *NEW ZEALAND?*

BLINK

CHOMP

PLORCH

BISCOTTIS 24 PCS

:UGH!: I CAN IMAGINE...

DOE

THIS WAY!

FOUND SOMETHING, ONE?

NOTHING A *MEDIOCRE JOURNALIST* COULDN'T HAVE SCROUNGED UP!

D.A., THIS IS *PROF. MORGAN FAIRFAX,* DIRECTOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT!

NO, BUT IT'S ENOUGH TO INTRIGUE *ME!* LOOK AT THIS... PROF. FAIRFAX HAS STUDIED THE *UNDERSEA FOUNDATIONS* AROUND YOUR UNCLE'S *OIL RIG* FOR YEARS!

:SNORT!: HIS *PERSONNEL FILE* DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING TOO *EXCITING* IN IT!

YEAH! HE EVEN RAN A RESEARCH GROUP ON THE *EXPLOITATION* OF *SUBMERGED TERRITORIES!* WEIRD COINCIDENCE, BUT SO WHAT?

SO I DON'T *BELIEVE* IN COINCIDENCES– I BELIEVE IN *LOGIC!* COME ALONG, D.A., WE'RE DONE INVESTIGATING HERE!

IT'S THE *CONFIDENTIAL* INFO THAT WE NEED TO SEE NEXT! AND WE WON'T FIND *THAT* BY SLUMMING ON THE WEB!

THE *WEB!* I HATE THAT TERM... MAKES ME FEEL LIKE SOME KINDA *SPIDER,* DODGING–

–A BUG-ZAPPER!

:BZZT!: INTRUDER DETECTION SCAN CONCLUDED! IDENTIFYING INTRUSIVE ELEMENTS! :BZZT!:

BEGINNING TERMINATION SEQUENCE... NOW!

ANTIVIRUS PROGRAMS!

WAK!

I DIDN'T *THINK* THEY'D BE ABLE TO *DETECT* US! APPARENTLY THEY *DID!*

KRAKOOM

FWOP

WELL–DON'T JUST *CHITCHAT* WITH THEM! *DO SOMETHING!*

YES, WELL... ONLY ONE THING *TO* DO, D.A.! *RETREAT!*

DOGGONE IT! I'VE BEEN RETREATING ALL DAY! *MASTER SUPERHEROES* DON'T RUN LIKE CHICKENS!

A MASTER SUPERHERO'S FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS IS STAYING ALIVE.

?

WHAT THE-?!

SWIR

WELP! WHEN YOU'RE READY YOU'LL KNOW WHERE TO FIND ME! PEACE OUT, D.A.!

HEY! WAIT FOR BABY!

SKA-WOOOOSH

HAAALP! TOO MANY! IT'S A LEGION!

THEN HELLO, "LEGION!" I AM ONE! >HA!< SORRY... THAT WAS AWFUL. NOW, LET'S GIVE YOU ANTIVIRUSES...

WOOOO

BEEEP! BEEEP! BEEEP!

GOTCHA!

BEEP BEEP BEEP

SOME WISE GUY'S TRYIN' TO WEDGE HIS WAY INTO THE DEPARTMENT ARCHIVES, MA'AM–BUT HE JUST FOULED UP!

CAN YOU TRACE HIM?

ALREADY DONE! *FIRST NAME, LAST NAME...* EVEN THE *ADDRESS!* LESSEE...

"DUCKLAIR TOWER...

"THE CHANNEL 00 EDITORIAL FLOOR..."

STUDIO

00

CHANNEL

ANGUS FANGUS?

?

NOT QUITE! I'M 'IS *SISTER!*

:KIWIHEEHEE!: I NEVER TIRE O' THAT JOKE!

GET HIM.

CLUNK

HEY! GET OFF ME!

:URGH!: I FEEL LIKE TWENTY-TWO MILES OF BAD ROAD! "NO DANGER," YOU SAID! NEXT TIME REMIND ME NOT TO ***TRUST*** YOU!

OH, STOP WHINING! ESPECIALLY WHEN ANGUS FANGUS IS GETTING IT ***WORSE!*** COME TAKE A GANDER AT THIS!

I DEMAND EXPLANATIONS! YOU CAN'T JUST WALTZ IN AND ATTACK MY REPORTERS... AT LEAST **ASK ME FIRST!**

FANGUS HACKED INTO **RESTRICTED** FEDERAL ARCHIVES... A **FELONY OFFENSE!** AS A **REPORTER,** HE SHOULD KNOW BETTER!

DEFEND YOUR INNOCENCE, FANGUS. NO GAMES. NO SNARK. TELL ME ***EXACTLY*** WHAT HAPPENED—***NOW.***

HOW 'BOUT YOU MAKE LIKE ***HIM*** AN' GET A ***HEARIN' AID,*** SHEILA! AIN'T NEVER MET A BIGGER SET O' ***EARLESS DINGUSES*** IN ME LIFE!

(A) THAT'S ***NOT*** A HEARING AID, AND (B) ***I AM NOT PLAYING WITH YOU, FANGUS! I ASK! YOU ANSWER! NOW DO IT!***

"CHIEF"! I DIDN'T INTRODUCE MYSELF, BUT YOU DARN WELL BETTER RESPECT MY TITLE. I'M ***MARY ANN FLAGSTARR*** AND I DETEST ***LIARS.*** MY FIRM PAYS ME TO ***CRUSH*** THEM.

WHATEVER YOU WANNA DO WITH YER LIFE, I GUESS.

GEEZ! WHADDAYA WANT ME TO SAY?! I NEVER STUCK ME BEAK ***ANYWHERE*** NEAR YER ***LAME*** ARCHIVES, LADY...

THAT'S ENOUGH, FANGUS! YOU'RE GOING TO REGRET YOU EVER—

YOU'RE IN IT DEEP, "SIR." SEE THESE THREE LETTERS?

ER, C-CHIEF...

HEH. SO THIS IS AN EYE EXAM NOW? WHAT ARE YOU, "LADY"... A ***FED,*** OR AN UNDERCOVER ***OPHTHALMOLOGIST?***

EXCUSE ME, CHIEF, B-BUT...I THINK MR. FANGUS IS TELLING THE ***TRUTH...***

I FINISHED THE DATA ANALYSIS, AND I'M 100% SURE THAT THIS WORKSTATION *ISN'T* THE ORIGINAL CONNECTION SOURCE! I... I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THIS COULD HAPPEN!

WHAT?! ARE YOU TELLING ME YOUR TRACE WAS ***WRONG?!***

THIS... IT'S NOT NORMAL! WHOEVER ENTERED OUR DATABASE WAS ***MORE SKILLED*** THAN ANYONE I'VE SEEN!

PACK YOUR BAGS, KID...

...AND LEAVE THE ***SHORTS*** AT HOME. YOU WON'T NEED 'EM IN ***ALASKA!***

MORE SKILLED THAN ***YOU.***

BZZZ

CLIC

BZL

BEEN A PLEASURE, "MISS" FLAGSTARR! :KIWIHEE!:

B-BUT, I... BUT CHIEF, I DID WHAT I COULD! ***CHIEF!!!***

GET READY, AVENGER...

WROOOOOSH

"TELL ME EVERYTHING, AGENT FLAGSTARR."

...BECAUSE NOW IT'S ***OUR*** TURN.

IT'S LIKE I SAID, PROFESSOR... WE CAN'T ***PROVE*** ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THE DUCK AVENGER'S OCEANIC INTERFERENCE AND YOUR DEPARTMENT'S ATTEMPTED DATA BREACH!

BUT WE CAN'T BE ***CERTAIN*** IT ***DIDN'T*** HAPPEN! CAN WE?

FLAGSTARR, I'M A ***SCIENTIST.*** I THRIVE ON PRECISION–CLEAR, CLEAN, ***DEFINITE*** FACTS. WHAT YOU'RE TELLING ME... DOESN'T ***HELP*** ME AT ALL.

AND I HAVE A RIGHT TO ***DEFEND*** MYSELF IF SOMEONE IS THREATENING MY PLANS.

BECAUSE I ***REFUSE*** TO LET ANYONE STOP ME.

AND I MEAN ***ANYONE...***

WATER, WATER, EVERYWHERE... COUNTRY LIVING'S SO GREAT, THEY SAY! ***HMPH!***

CLOMP CLOMP

CLOMP CLOMP

FLASH

CLOMP CLOMP

BROOM

THERE'S NO OTHER WAY! TO FIGURE OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE OCEAN'S SEABED, WE'RE GOING TO NEED ***FAIRFAX'S FILES!***

WHICH MEANS ***I'M*** GONNA HAVE TO SNEAK INTO HIS DEPARTMENT'S ***LABS,*** RIGHT?

"DINGO!"

SWOOSH

"HOW COME I'M THE DIRTY-WORK DUCK STUCK WITH ALL THE BAD LUCK?!"

"DON'T WORRY! YOU'LL GO THERE **LATE**-MEANING EMPTY LABS, MINIMAL SURVEILLANCE..."

"WELL, ALL RIGHT! **EASY** WORK, I CAN DO!"

...AND A ***SUPER-DEADLY*** SECURITY SYSTEM!

"EASILY **TERRIBLE** WORK. GREAT."

THE ***SPEECH RECOGNITION SYSTEM*** THAT REGULATES ACCESS TO OFF-LIMITS AREAS—***THAT*** WILL BE YOUR ***FIRST OBSTACLE!***

HERE GOES...

WOW. OKAY, AND HOW DO ***YOU*** KNOW THE FUTURE?

BECAUSE ***DUCKLAIR INDUSTRIES*** DESIGNED THIS BUILDING'S SECURITY SYSTEM! THAT'S HOW! THE FUTURE IS ***NOW!***

"I TOOK THE LIBERTY OF **RECORDING** AGENT FLAGSTARR'S VOICE WHILE SHE WAS INTERROGATING ANGUS!"

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SPEECH IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURE ACTIVATED.

"FASCINATING VOICE, BY THE WAY. RICH IN TONALITY."

MARY ANN FLAGSTARR.

SPEECH IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURE COMPLETE. **ACCESS GRANTED.**

HEY! YOU ACTUALLY DID IT! ONE, I'M IN!

STOP. I'D BRAG ABOUT PERFECTION... BUT MODESTY FORBIDS!

NOW COMES OBSTACLE TWO: THE RETINAL IMPRINT SCANNER!

CAUTION

NOT MUCH OF AN OBSTACLE! I'VE A SOLUTION FOR THAT TOO...

CAUTION

RETINAL

SUBJECT: MARY ANN FLAGSTARR. RETINAL PRINT POSITIVE. ACCESS GRANTED.

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HIBQUIM
RMNR3EL

WE REALLY OUGHT TO THANK CHIEF FLAGSTARR FOR HER "COOPERATION"! REMIND ME TO SEND HER SOME FLOWERS... ANONYMOUSLY, OF COURSE!

AND NOW, PARTNER, LET'S SEE IF YOU'VE DONE YOUR HOMEWORK!

3... 2... 1... CON-TACTS!

STAP

DO THEY WORK?

LIKE A DREAM!

THESE ***ULTRAVIOLET LIGHT LENSES*** ARE ***SICK!*** BUT IF THE ***FEDS*** KNEW I COULD SEE THEIR ENTIRE ALARM GRID, THEY'D BE ***SICKER*** AT ***THEMSELVES!***

THEN LET'S NOT TELL THEM. WOULDN'T WANT TO HURT THEIR PRECIOUS PRIDE!

"NOW FIND PROFESSOR FAIRFAX'S OFFICE, AVENGER! AND HURRY!"

LET'S SEE ***ONE*** TACKLE A ***LOCKED*** DOOR ***THIS*** THICK! ***END OF THE LINE...***

"HURRY," YOU SAY, AS I BOB AND WEAVE A ***LIGHT GAUNTLET!***

...OR MAYBE NOT! HMM... I WONDER...

SCHUNK

THE AIR CONDITIONING VENTS! HEY, IT ALWAYS WORKS IN THE MOVIES!

:URGH! OOF!: BUT THIS NEVER HAPPENS IN THE MOVIES! WAAAKWAKWAKWAK!

DOGGONE IT THIS STUPID SHIELD IS TOO BIG AND NOW I'M STUCK IN THIS DOGGONE VENT :GRRRAAAA!!!!:

TUNK

BUMP

GONG

KLANG

PROBLEMS, AVENGER?

YOU CAN *ALTER* YOUR SHIELD'S *FORM* AND *DENSITY* TO SUIT YOUR NEEDS. IF YOU'D READ THE *INSTRUCTION MANUAL*, YOU'D ALREADY KNOW THIS!

JUST USE THE SHIELD'S *DENSOMORPHIC COMMAND*, "MASTER HERO"!

ENDOOOOK

IF I'D READ *YOUR* DOGGONE INSTRUCTION MANUAL, I'D BE TOO OLD, GREY AND DEAD TO EVEN *LIFT* THIS SHIELD! DOGGONE, CRAZY–

OH, NO... NONONO!

NONO NONONO *NONOOO–*

WOOSHHHHHHHHHHHH

WAAAK!!!

WAA-

BONK

D.A.? AVENGER! *WHAT'S WRONG?* DO YOU READ ME?

I'LL CALL YOU BACK LATER!

WOOOOSH

WOOOOSSHHHHHHHHHH

CRASH

-AAAK!

STOPSTOP STOPSTOPSTOP!!!

CLAK

DIE

SPUT SPUTT SPUTTR

GOT IT!

HEY, ONE! :OOF: IT'S FINALLY OVER :OUCH: I DID IT :OUCH! UNF!: THE PERFECT :OOF: LANDING!

POK

PAK

TUMP

BUMP

OH, NO!!!

ZIIIIIING

WHA?!

AAAAAGH!

WHABASH

DRRANG

!

:OOF!:

RRRRRRUMBLE

?

BONK

SLAM

BLINK

YEOWCH!

WELL, WELL, WELL... IF IT AIN'T *SANTA CLAUS!* LOOKS LIKE YOU MISSED THE HOLIDAY SEASON... *TOO BAD!*

SGNICK

EITHER WAY... YOU'D BETTER HAVE A *DARN GOOD* EXPLANATION FOR BEING HERE!

YOU PROBABLY WON'T *BELIEVE* ME, BUT I'M LOOKING FOR MY *CONTACT LENSES!*

INTERESTING! WHY DON'T I RADIO THE *FEDS* AND HAVE YOU *REPEAT* THAT STORY!

CLICK

WHAT?

NOT IN THE PLANS! DON'T GO WAKING THE BABIES *THIS* HOUR OF THE NIGHT!

AMC

:OOF!:

STAY WHERE YOU ARE OR SO HELP ME I'LL-

OH, NO! *PLEASE* DON'T! I *ABHOR* ATTACKS... WHEN THEY'RE DIRECTED AT *ME!*

BIAM BAM TAK BAM BAM

THAT G.I. JERK IS SERIOUS! I'D BETTER USE THE BRADIONIC PARALYZER ON HIM! NOW!

SORRY, MAC! NO HARD FEELINGS, OKAY?

:HNNG!:

BZZZAP

HOPE YOU DON'T MIND IF I BORROW THESE FOR A BIT! A CHAIN OF KEY CARDS MIGHT COME IN HANDY!

TALKING TO YOURSELF, AVENGER?

ALL THE *MASTER SUPERHEROES* DO! BY THE WAY...

...IF I TOLD YOU WHAT I JUST SNAGGED, YOU'D NEVER BELIEVE IT!

SNATCH

TRY ME!

SUBLEVEL 5-A RESEARCH LAB

MORGAN FAIRFAX

KEY CARDS TO ACCESS FAIRFAX'S LAB! NOW I JUST GOTTA FIGURE OUT HOW TO FIND ***SUB-LEVEL 5-A...***

THE SQUEAKY WHEELS OF FORTUNE SPIN MY WAY AGAIN!

HONESTLY, D.A. IT'S SO LIKE YOU TO ALREADY BE SOMEWHERE AND NOT KNOW IT!

WHAT A CHARMING METAPHOR. I BET YOU WRITE YOUR OWN LINES. *PROBABLY IN COMPLETE DARKNESS.*

SUB-LEVEL 5-A

"IF ONLY ALL MY MISSIONS WERE LIKE THIS! SIMPLE, EASY, AND NOT A LICK OF MISFORTUNE..."

SWOOOOSSSHH

"...AND THERE IS OH-SO-MUCH WORK TO DO!"

YOU'RE HERE LATE, SIR! PUTTIN' YOUR INSOMNIA TO USE, EH?

MAY AS WELL, CONNORS! AND IT'S FOR THE BEST! TOO MUCH SLEEP EQUALS LESS WORK...

READY, ONE?

BZZZ CLICK

READY, WILLING AND ABLE! CONNECT ME TO THE COMMUNICATOR...

...AND I'LL HANDLE THE REST! IT SHOULDN'T TAKE ME LONG TO ARCHIVE FAIRFAX'S PRIVATE FILES...

...AND WE'LL KNOW *ALL THERE IS TO KNOW* ABOUT HIS DEPARTMENT'S ACTIVITIES—IN JUST A *FEW* SHORT MINUTES!

WHY *RUSH* IT, BUDDY? AFTER ALL...

CLIC

"...WHO'S GONNA STOP US?"

FSSSSS...

LEVEL 5-A

SUBLEVEL

!

HE'S STILL BREATHING! B-BUT WHAT *HAPPENED* TO HIM? HIS VITAL FUNCTIONS SEEM TO HAVE SLOWED DOWN... ALMOST LIKE HE'S BEEN PUT ON PAU–

CLACK!

MY OFFICE! *SOMEONE'S IN THERE!*

AND *WE'RE DONE!* HONESTLY, THAT WASN'T HARD AT ALL. I'VE EMPTIED ARCHIVES LONGER THAN *THIS* IN FAR LESS TIME!

PERFECT! SO LET'S SCRAM!

THE DUCK AVENGER! HERE?! THEN IT'S TRUE! HE PROBABLY *SUSPECTS* SOMETHING! OR MAYBE... HE KNOWS *EVERYTHING!*

BIAM

CRASH

WAK!

DON'T MOVE A MUSCLE, AVENGER! MY NEXT SHOT *WON'T* BE A WARNING!

PROFESSOR FAIRFAX, I PRESUME!

I SUPPOSE YOU WON'T GIVE ME THE PLEASURE OF EXPLAINING MYSE-

SAVE YOUR BREATH, VIGILANTE! I HAVE ABSOLUTELY *NO* INTEREST IN THE REASONS FOR YOUR INTRUSION...

CLIC

FSSS..

...BECAUSE *NOTHING* YOU'VE LEARNED WILL *EVER* LEAK OUT! *THIS MEETING* AND *MY INFO* SHALL REMAIN OUR LITTLE SECRET! *NOW MOVE!*

:HMPH!: *PROJECT PANGEA* HAS ALREADY BEGUN! AND *NO ONE'S* GOING TO STOP IT!

NOT. EVEN. YOU.

FSSSSSS

WHAT'RE YOU UP TO, FAIRFAX?

P

BLAM

SPACK

FWOOOM

ARE YOU NUTS?! THAT WAS A BOTTLE OF *PHOSPHORUS!* THE ENTIRE BUILDING WILL BECOME A *BLAZING INFERNO!*

OH, REALLY? HOW SAD. MY SINCEREST APOLOGIES.

ADIEU, AVENGER.

BUT *BEFORE* I TAKE MY LEAVE, THERE'S *ONE LAST THING* I NEED TO DO...

GOOD. I DON'T NEED ANYTHING ELSE. MY WORK HERE IS DONE.

PANGEA PROJECT

MY OFFICE, MY LAB, AND ALL MY STUDIES WILL SOON BE A GIANT ***ASH HEAP***–AND THE DUCK AVENGER WITH THEM!

EVEN BETTER, EVERYONE WILL ***BLAME HIM*** FOR THE LOSS! THAT MEDDLESOME CLOWN COULDN'T HAVE SHOWN UP AT A BETTER MOMENT!

NOW ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO PREPARE MYSELF... FROM HERE EVERYTHING WILL HAPPEN RELATIVELY QUICKLY!

IT'S FINALLY TIME TO END THIS SHOW!

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WHAT TH–*OH, NO! THERE'S A FIRE ON SUB-LEVEL 5A!*

FSS SSH

FSSSSH

FSSSSSH

THIS IS BAD! THIS PHOSPHORUS FIRE IS BURNING HOT... AND NOT EVEN *WATER* CAN PUT IT OUT!

:BRZZT!: PROBLEMS, AVENGER?

GET! ME! OUTTA! HERE! NOW!

HUGE PROBLEMS! I'M *TRAPPED* IN FAIRFAX'S LAB, AND ABOUT TO BECOME THE WORLD'S FIRST *PHOSPHORESCENTLY ROASTED DUCK!*

BUT WHAT OF YOUR *MORALE?* YOU DON'T SEEM PARTICULARLY FRIGHTENED.

GOOD NIGHT! MESSAGE RECEIVED!

WHERE'S YOUR SHIELD? WHY DON'T YOU USE THAT?

DON'T GET AGITATED! IT'S *IMPOSSIBLE* TO LOSE THE X-TRANSFORMER!

OKAY... BUT MAKE IT A *SHORT* SEC! THE AIR'S GETTING A BIT *SCORCHY* IN HERE!

I LOST IT! I GOT DISTRACTED AND LOST IT! CAN'T A GUY LOSE A SHIELD WITHOUT FEELING LIKE A CHUMP?

JUST LET ME *FOCUS* FOR A SEC...

AHHH... *THERE* YOU ARE!

ROAR

CRASH

WOW! ONE, YOU'RE AMAZING!

OF COURSE I AM!

HONESTLY, D.A.! WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITHOUT ME?

FIND A *PEACEFUL* JOB! SKUNK OIL DELIVERY BOY SOUNDS NICE!

ABANDON BASE, AVENGER! WE CAN'T STAY HERE A MOMENT LONGER!

HANG ON! THERE'S *ONE MORE THING* I NEED TO DO...

I WON'T LEAVE YOU HERE TO FRY, BUDDY! AND YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO THANK ME!

WEEOOWEEOOWEEOO

WAHM

DUCKBURG FIRE Dpt

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CLOMP CLOMP

FSSSS

FSS...

LET'S HEAD HOME, ONE! ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, IT'S BEEN A BUSY NIGHT!

PROFESSOR!

DON'T DISTURB HIM, MA'AM! HE NEEDS TO CONSERVE HIS REMAINING ENERGY!

:COUGH!:

OH, PROFESSOR... CAN YOU ***EVER*** FORGIVE ME? I'M THE HEAD OF SECURITY, AND I'M NOT WORTH ***ANYTHING*** IF I... IF I CAN'T STOP ...

AIR LIFT! ***DUCKROSS HOSPITAL!*** HURRY!

:KAFF: F-FLAGSTARR... IS THAT YOU?

OH, NO... NO, DEAR. N-NEVER SAY THAT...

YOUR AGENTS... THEY PUT THEMSELVES AT ***TERRIBLE RISK*** IN ORDER TO SAVE ME... AND FOR THAT... :COUGH: I AM ETERNALLY GRATEFUL. MARY ANN... MAY I CALL YOU ***MARY ANN?***

DON'T GET COMFY, D.A.! IT'S NOT OVER YET!

I... OF COURSE, ***MORGAN.***

CHOP CHOP CHOP CHOP

:HNG!: HERE. IF YOU'LL ALLOW ME, I'D LIKE YOU TO ACCEPT THIS... IT BELONGED TO MY WIFE... HER ***LUCKY CHARM.***

IT'S ***ONE OF A KIND,*** MARY ANN... PROMISE ME THAT YOU'LL NEVER LOSE IT!

CHOP CHOP

CHOP CHOP

I... I GIVE YOU MY WORD, PROFESSOR.

GOOD. AND NOW I'D LIKE ***ONE LAST WISH...*** WITHOUT QUESTION, PLEASE. TELL OUR PILOTS TO ***ALTER THEIR COURSE...***

WR

"WE WON'T BE GOING TO DUCKROSS. ***ANOTHER PLANE*** IS WAITING ELSEWHERE...

"...AND THEN, MARY ANN, YOU'LL UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING...

POW

"...SOONER OR LATER."

I'VE PROCESSED THE *ENTIRETY* OF FAIRFAX'S ARCHIVES DOWN TO THE LAST FILE...

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PANGEA PROJECT

...AND I'VE DISCOVERED THE... "ANSWERS"... TO ALL OUR QUESTIONS: *THE PANGEA PROJECT.*

MORGAN FAIRFAX HAS BEEN WORKING ON THIS PROJECT IN *SECRET* FOR *YEARS.* EVEN HIS CLOSEST COLLEAGUES ARE COMPLETELY IN THE DARK.

SHEESH! WHY ALL THE SECRECY?

BECAUSE HE PLANS TO INDUCE THE *MOST CATASTROPHIC EARTHQUAKE OF ALL TIME.*

THE PROFESSOR HAS CREATED *SIX MAGNETIC INTENSIFIERS* AND PLACED THEM...

...FIFTY NAUTICAL *MILES* FROM *FUTTERMAN'S FAULT*—RIGHT?

FUTTERMAN'S FAULT

"YES. SIX SYSTEMS INCITING LOCALIZED MAGNETIC EMISSIONS DESIGNED TO STRESS THE IRON PARTICLES FOUND IN THE OCEANIC AREAS OF THE FAULT."

FAIRFAX'S *INAUGURAL TEST* HAS *ALREADY* OCCURRED... REMEMBER THE INCIDENT AT MR. McDUCK'S OIL RIG?

THAT DATA, GATHERED BY UNSUSPECTING DEPARTMENTAL TECHNICIANS, *CONFIRMED* FAIRFAX'S SUSPICIONS...

...THAT LOCALIZED EMISSIONS COULD HIT THEIR TARGETS WITHOUT *ANY* DISPERSIONS... *AND* WITHOUT *SEISMOGRAPHS* DETECTING THEM!

YOU DETECTED 'EM, ONE! DON'T FORGET–

COLD COMFORT, AVENGER! NOW FAIRFAX IS READY TO STRIKE *DIRECTLY* AT FUTTERMAN'S FAULT *WITHOUT WARNING!*

ONCE HIS INTENSIFIERS' EMISSIONS REACH THE EARTH'S MANTLE, CALISOTA'S *CONTINENTAL PLATE* WILL SLIDE OVER *ANOTHER* CONTINENTAL PLATE... AND *THIS 3-D SIMULATION* WILL SHOW YOU WHAT'S NEXT...

BRRUUMM!

GREAT HONK! HE'LL SINK THE ENTIRE WEST COAST INTO THE SEA!

FAIRFAX IS ***CERTIFIABLY NUTS!*** I MEAN, YEAH, I GATHERED THAT ALREADY WHEN HE TRIED TO ***ROAST*** ME...

...BUT ***THIS*** IS ON A ***WHOLE NEW LEVEL!*** WE GOTTA ***STOP*** HIM BEFORE HE TRIGGERS THOSE BLASTS!

WE CAN'T. ***IT'S TOO LATE.***

VRROOARRRR

AND IN LESS THAN ***ONE*** HOUR, ONCE HIS DEVICES HAVE CHARGED, HE'LL DISCHARGE ***ALL SIX*** OF HIS ***FINAL WAVE EMISSIONS.***

MORGAN FAIRFAX STARTED THE INTENSIFIERS' ACTIVATION SEQUENCE ***THIRTY-FIVE HOURS AGO.***

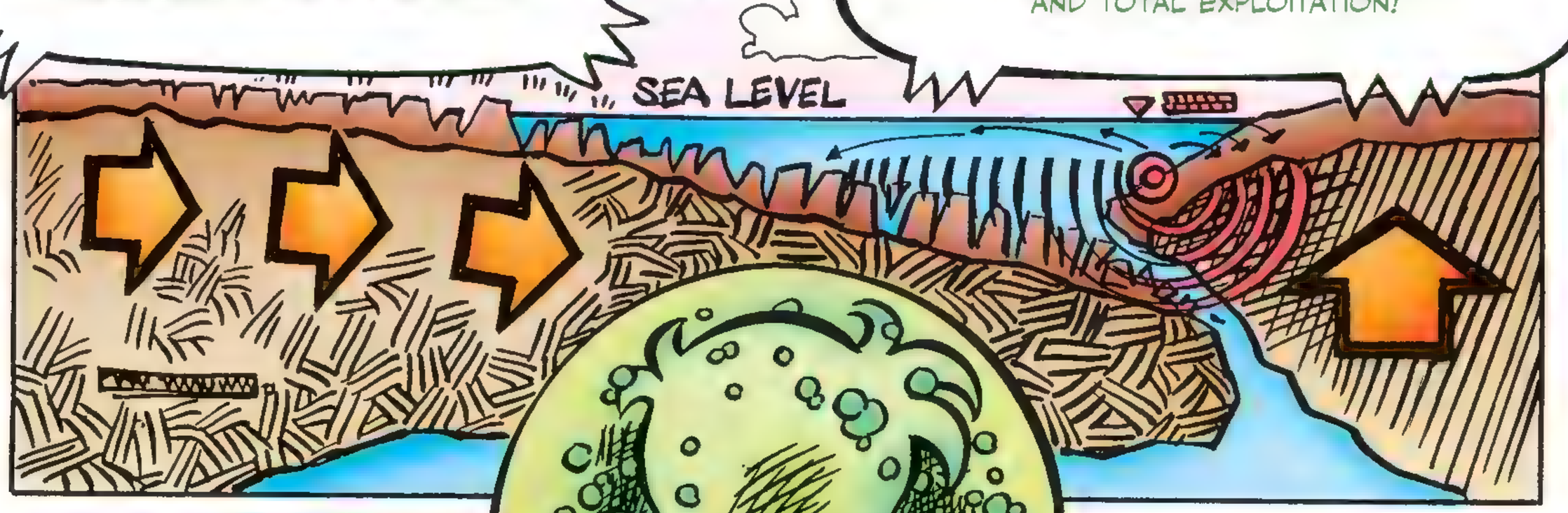
NO!

FAIRFAX'S QUAKE WILL DESTROY ***MILLIONS*** OF LIVES... AND FOR ***WHAT,*** ONE? FOR ***WHAT?!***

SO HE CAN ***SAVE BILLIONS*** OF LIVES, AVENGER. ***THAT*** IS THE ***PANGEA PROJECT!***

DESTROYING NORTH AMERICA'S WEST COAST WILL ***ALTER*** THE ABYSSAL PLATE'S ***UNDERSOIL*** ONCE IT EMERGES...

...PROVIDING HUMANKIND WITH AN ***IMMENSE NEW CONTINENT*** OF LAND, READY FOR COMPLETE AND TOTAL EXPLOITATION!



A *WHOLE NEW WORLD* LIES BENEATH THE WAVES. AND FAIRFAX IS DETERMINED TO *YANK IT UP* AND *GIFT* IT TO HUMANITY–

AT THE *COST* OF HUMANITY! GREAT GIFT, JERK! I'D PREFER A *NECKTIE!*

THEN WE FIND FAIRFAX, DOGGONE IT! MOVEMOVEMOVE!!!

I'LL ONLY SAY THIS *ONCE,* ONE... IF YOU LET FAIRFAX DO HIS THING, YOU'LL *DOOM* COUNTLESS INNOCENTS!

MAYBE SO... BUT EARTH WILL HAVE VAST NEW *UNCONTAMINATED TERRITORIES!* NEW FOOD SOURCES! NEW INHABITABLE AREAS!

=HMPH!= BIG DEAL. *DECIDE WHOSE SIDE YOU'RE ON.*

I CAN'T. *I-I'VE TOLD YOU THIS...* I'M PROGRAMMED TO *ALWAYS* FOLLOW THE MOST *LOGICAL* COURSE OF ACTION...

WE GOTTA BLOCK THOSE INTENSIFIERS, ONE!

NO CAN DO. ONLY FAIRFAX KNOWS HOW TO STOP THE ACTIVATION SEQUENCE.

...AND... AND I DON'T THINK *YOUR PATH* IS *IT.*

=SNORT!= BROTHER–SOMETIMES THE *LOGICAL* SOLUTION ISN'T THE *RIGHT* SOLUTION!

FAIRFAX'S CALCULATIONS ARE ALL *CORRECT!* AVENGER, THE PANGEA PROJECT IS BASED ENTIRELY ON *SOLID SCIENTIFIC FACTS!*

I... I CAN'T, DONALD. NOT TILL I'VE WEIGHED EVERY VARIABLE INVOLVED. LIKE THE COMPUTER I AM.

LIKE THE *DISAPPOINT-MENT* YOU ARE.

I'M SORRY, AVENGER. THIS IS AS FAR AS I GO.

BAH! I AVENGED *ALONE* JUST FINE *BEFORE* I MET YOU! AND I'LL DO IT *AGAIN!*

I'M GOING BACK TO THE ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT! IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND, FOLLOW ME... *YOU FAKE FRIEND!*

FAIRFAX WON'T BE THERE, AVENGER. AT THIS MOMENT, THE PROFESSOR...

...IS ABOARD A PLANE, FLYING TO SAFETY, *FAR AWAY* FROM HIS EARTHQUAKE.

THE PANGEA PROJECT ALSO DETAILED HIS *ESCAPE PLANS.* HE RENTED AN AIRPLANE AND IS CURRENTLY PASSING DIRECTLY OVER THE *GRAND CANYON.*

IF... IF IT HELPS, YOU CAN CATCH UP TO HIM USING MASTER DUCKLAIR'S *JET.* THE ONE YOU STOOD ON EARLI-

I *REFUSE* TO THANK YOU.

TIME TO GO INTO ACTION!

RRUUMBL E

HUP

C'MON, BABY... DON'T *YOU* GO *BETRAYING* ME TOO!

"LIFTOFF!"

I'M COMING, FAIRFAX. YOU'RE *DONE.*

TWEEP TWEEP

FWOOOOOOOM

MARY ANN! WHAT'S GOING ON?

"AND THEY MEAN SERIOUS BUSINESS!"

HANG ONTO SOMETHING, SIR! WE'VE GOT A *BOGEY* ON OUR TAIL!

VROOOOOMMM

ZOOOOW

:BLEEEP: NOW INITIATING AUTOPILOT!

PERFECT! BON VOYAGE, JET...

...THIS IS MY STOP!

CLUMP

STONK

THE DUCK AVENGER! IT'S NOT POSSIBLE!

URGH!

MARY ANN, *WAKE UP!* COME ON! OPEN YOUR *EYES,* WOMAN!

SCRAMS

!

STOP THE COUNTDOWN, EGGHEAD! *NOW!* THIS HAS GONE FAR ENOUGH!

NEVER... *NEVER! I REFUSE!* MY ENTIRE LIFE...

...HAS BEEN DEDICATED TO THE *PANGEA PROJECT...*

...AND I WON'T ALLOW A *CLOWN* IN A *DIME-STORE COSTUME* TO DESTROY MY HOPES FOR A *BETTER WORLD!*

HEY!

MISSED!

DID I, NOW?

:WHOOF!: STOP THIS... PROFESSOR! IT'S OVER! YOU... *YOU LOSE...*

HEY!

ODD DISCOURSE COMING FROM A *DEFEATED* DUCK IN *YOUR* POSITION!

WEEEEOOOO

OOH...

OH, NO.

PULL UP, BABY! PULL UP!!!

NOOO!

FAIRFAX!

GOTCHA!

:GAAH!:

:HUFF! PUFF! PANT!:

:HUFF! YOU'RE GONNA... :PUFF: **STOP** THAT FERSHLUGGINER SEQUENCE, FAIRFAX...

MAKE ME. OR DO IT ***YOURSELF,*** AVENGER! YOU SEEM TO KNOW EVERYTHING. SO YOU SHOULD KNOW ***HOW MY SYSTEM WORKS!***

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!

DARN RIGHT I DO! I SEE A ***TWO-KEY KILLSWITCH! HAND OVER THE KEYS!***

AW. I'M SORRY. I WISH I COULD, BUT I ***CAN'T...*** AND, EVEN IF I COULD, I ***WOULDN'T.***

ONLY ***YOU*** CAN STOP A ***DEADLY CATASTROPHE!*** ***NOW DO IT, DOGGONE YOU!***

:HMF.: LESS THAN 30% OF OUR SURFACE IS ***LAND,*** AVENGER. WE CALL OUR PLANET ***EARTH***... BUT THERE ISN'T MUCH ***"EARTH"*** TO SPEAK OF.

NO TIME FOR A SCIENCE LESSON, PROFESSOR!

SIMPLE-MINDED CRETIN! I'M OFFERING NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO A PLANET ON THE VERGE OF COLLAPSE! AND YOU WANT TO STOP THAT?! STOP ME?!

I'M BEGGING YOU, FAIRFAX! GIVE ME THOSE KEYS!

STAY WHERE YOU ARE, DUCK AVENGER...I-I'VE GOT TRANQUILIZER ROUNDS... I HEARD EVERYTHING...

AGENT FLAGSTARR! FINALLY!

MARY ANN! ARE YOU OKAY?!

MORGAN, WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

THAT DUCK CLOBBERED ME, MARY ANN! ARREST THE AVENGER!

FAIRFAX DUPED ALL HIS ALLIES TO FEED HIS INSANE QUAKE-MAKIN' PLAN! EVEN YOU, AGENT FLAGSTARR!

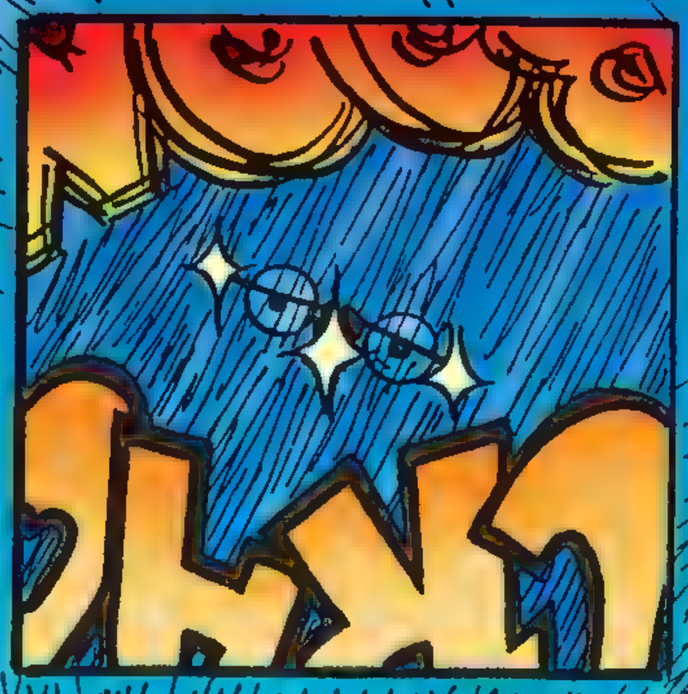
DON'T LISTEN TO HIM! HE'S LYING! HE'S ALWAYS LIED!

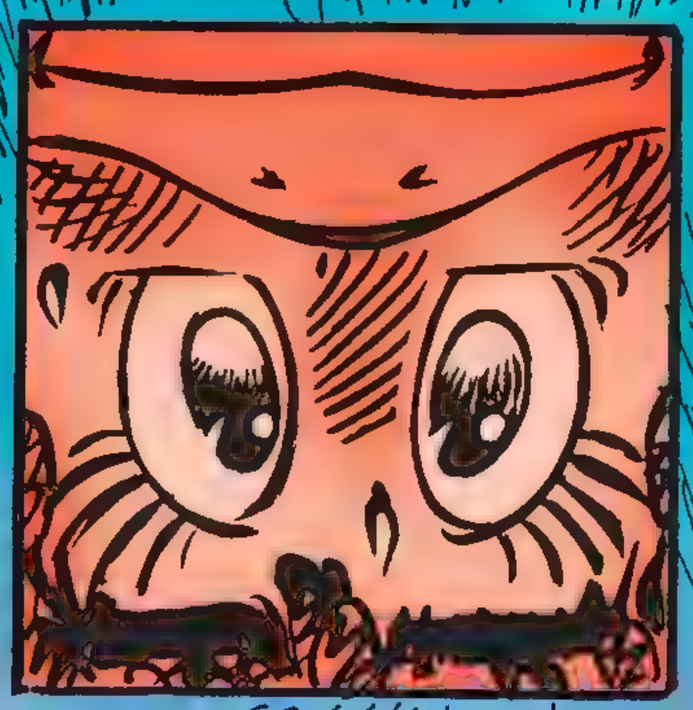
ARREST HIM!

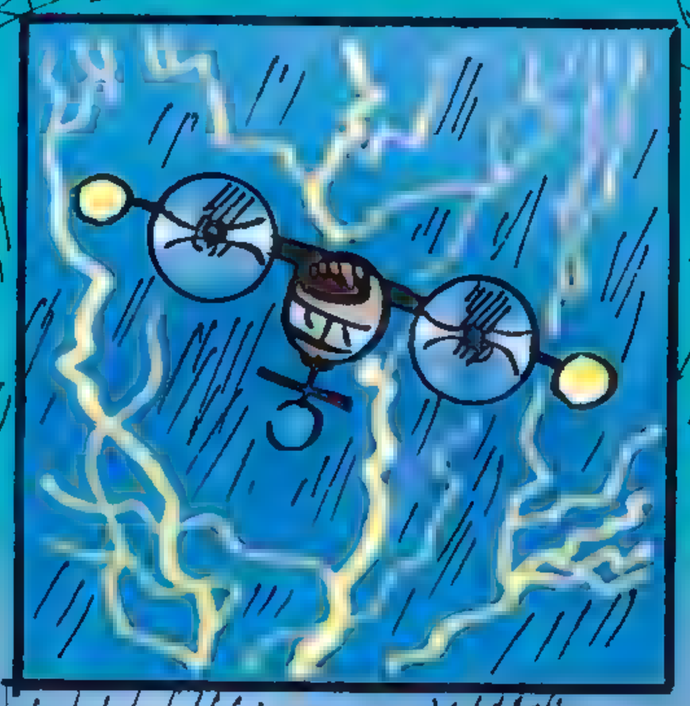
DO WHAT YOU'RE PAID TO DO, AGENT!

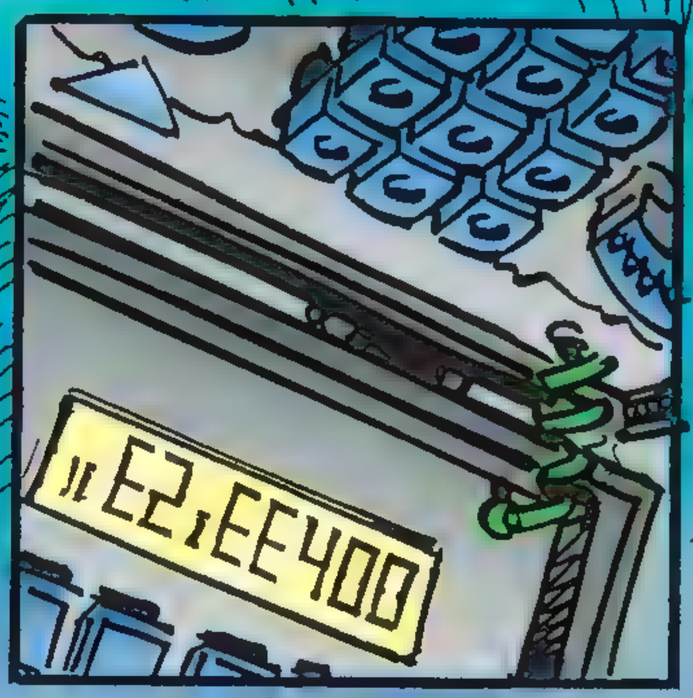
I GAVE YOU A DIRECT ORDER, FLAGSTARR!

DO WHAT YOU BELIEVE IS RIGHT, MARY ANN!





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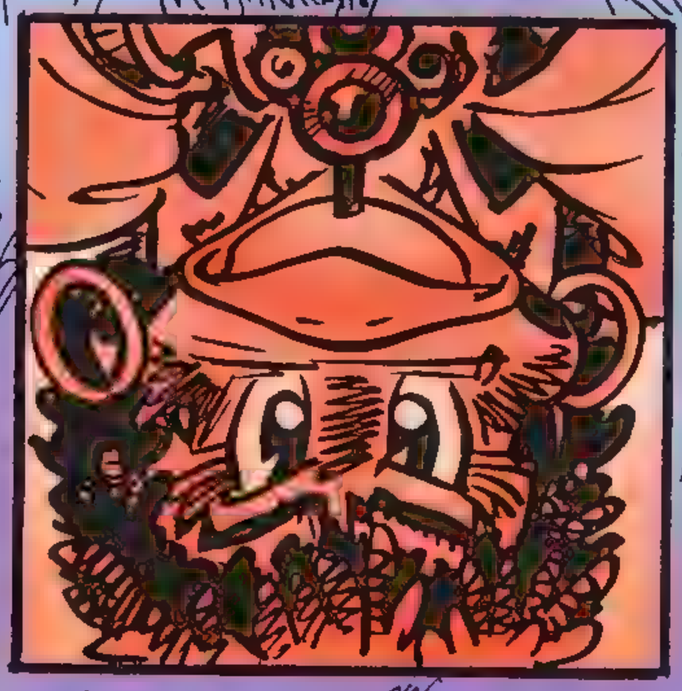

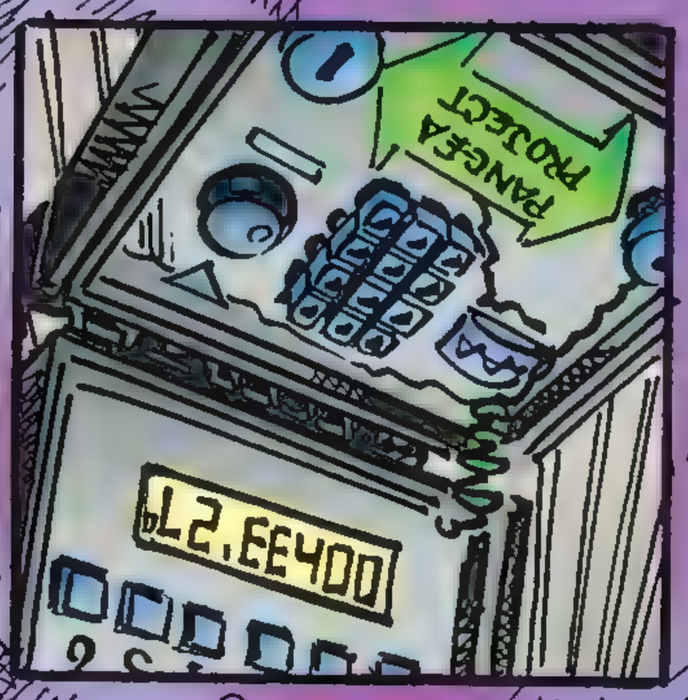
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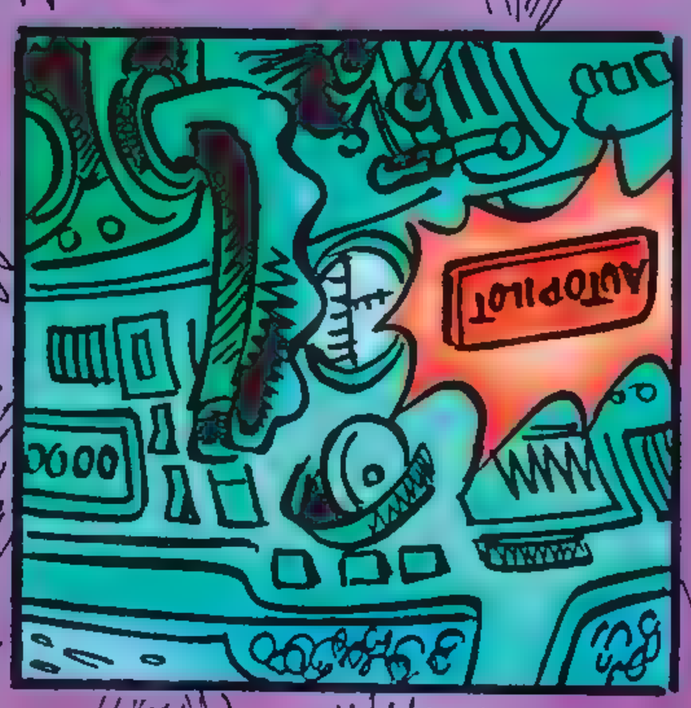
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KLICK

TELL ME SOMETHING, AVENGER... WHY ARE YOU FIGHTING FOR AN *ILLUSION?* WHEN YOU BOARDED THIS PLANE YOU *KNEW* YOU HAD *NO CHANCE* OF VICTORY... DIDN'T YOU?

LADY, IF I *KNEW* I'D LOST, I WOULDN'T *BE HERE* FIGHTING!

BUT *NO CHANCE?* -;SNORT!;- AT LEAST SPARRIN' TO THE BITTER END GIVES ME *HOPE!*

THERE'S MILLIONS OF *LIVES* AND *LOVES* AT STAKE. AIN'T THAT REASON TO *TRY?*

SHUT HIM UP, AGENT FLAGSTARR. TRANQ HIM. *DO IT.*

THIS PENDANT... YOU TOLD ME IT WAS ONE OF A KIND.

YOU *LIED.* AND I *DETEST* LIARS... PROFESSOR.

OF COURSE! THAT'S IT... THOSE ARE THE *KILL KEYS!*

KEEPING THEM SEPARATE...

...DIDN'T WORK OUT, EH, FAIRFAX?

PANGEA PROJECT

:BZZT!: PLEASE TYPE THE *DEACTIVATION CODE.* :BZZT!:

NO... *NO!*

HEH! HEH! DON'T LOOK *MY* WAY. YOU WON'T GET *SQUAT* FROM ME! *HAHAHA!*

NOT EVEN *FEDERAL COMPUTERS* COULD CRACK THAT CODE IN SUCH A SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME! I WIN...

:WZKRKR!: WELL, THEN! I GUESS THIS LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR *ME!*

I OWE YOU A *SINCERE APOLOGY,* AVENGER! BUT FIRST, IT SEEMS I HAVE AN *URGENT* TASK! CONNECT ME TO FAIRFAX'S BRIEFCASE! *HURRY!*

ONE!

NO!

HOLD IT, PROFESSOR!

YOU WERE RIGHT, AVENGER. SOMETIMES THE LOGICAL SOLUTION ISN'T THE RIGHT SOLUTION... THE *BEST* SOLUTION.

CRACK! #Em+10w*!

"THIS IS THE END OF THE PANGEA PROJECT."

BZZZZZZZ

Z BLIP

GGGOOOOOOOOOD MMMOOOOOOOOORRRNNNIIINNGGG, DUUUUUUUCCCKKKBBBUUUURGGG!!!

WELL, NOW. HERE'S SOMETHING MORGAN FAIRFAX DIDN'T PLAN ON!

WITH HIS ***PANGEA PROJECT DOSSIER*** IN THE HANDS OF THE ***FEDS,*** HIS OTHERWISE BRILLIANT SCIENTIFIC CAREER HAS FINALLY REACHED ITS END...

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YEAH! AND HIS THRILLING ***NEW CAREER*** AS A CONVICT HAS BEGUN! NOT TO MENTION THE ***COMPLETE REHABILITATION*** OF THE DIABOLICAL DUCK AVENGER'S ***GOOD NAME!***

DONALD... CAN YOU EVER FORGIVE ME? IN A MOMENT OF DIFFICULTY, I ***ABANDONED*** YOU WHEN YOU NEEDED ME MOST...

DON'T SWEAT IT. I DUNNO IF IT'LL MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER–BUT YOU'RE ONLY ***HUMAN,*** ONE.

AND *DEEP DOWN* I WAS ALWAYS SURE YOU'D DO WHAT WAS *RIGHT*! I KNEW IT, PAL! *I FELT IT!*

YOU *HOPED* FOR IT, YOU MEAN.

YEAH! YOU DID THE *RIGHT THING*, ONE! AS *ALWAYS!*

YES...

...

...

...

...

"...AS ALWAYS."

THE END

HEEEEEY KIDS! SO YOU WANNA BEAT THE EVRONIANS?

ARE YOU READY FOR THE INVASION? ARE YOU READY FOR THE FINAL SHOWDOWN?
YOU CAN WALLOP THEM TOO! SO CHOOSE YOUR OWN LESSON...

Do you **have superpowers?** *(How?!)* If so, go to section **A**
Do you **lack superpowers?** *(Wow...)* If so, go to section **B**

A — With Super-powers

WITH THE STRENGTH OF ELEVENTY MEN...

GREAT JOB, GUYS! YOU GOT HIM ALL RILED UP!

RUN AWAY!!! NOW PLEASE...

...stomp 'em flat!!!
(That oughta work for a while, eh?)

B — Without Superpowers

USE CUNNING...

GO AWAY!
HIS VOICE SOUNDS WEIRD...
DON'T MAKE ME ANGRY!
ALSO, HE'S NOT BREATHING.
ONE MORE STEP AND I'LL... "WAK" YOU!
@ Disney
OUR JOB'S DONE! LET'S SCRAM!

SHOULD CUNNING FAIL, TRY OPENING NEGOTIATIONS!

* NOTE: RARE ISSUE NOT DISTRIBUTED IN THE USUAL EVRONI-BAGS OF THREE!

AND SHOULD NEGOTIATIONS FAIL... PULL OUT THE BIG GUNS... UNLEASH YOUR UNFUNNY SCHOOLTEACHER!

THE MICROBIOLOGY LAB IS FOR STAPH ONLY!
ENGLISH TEACHERS ARE ALWAYS WRITE!
MATH'S A SINE OF MADNESS!
I MAKE AWFUL SCIENCE PUNS* BUT ONLY PERIODICALLY!

* NOTE: WE TRIED USING CHEMISTRY PUNS BUT WE DIDN'T GET A REACTION. BYE!

Art by **Claudio Sciarrone**

THANKS, BOYS!

CHANNEL 00 STUDIOS

SHOW

BARBER

PORTRAIT OF THE HERO AS A YOUNG DUCK

SORRY TO MAKE YOU WORK AT THIS AWFUL HOUR!

NO SWEAT, MAN! IT'S WHAT WE DO!

WALT DISNEY

HEY! LOOK WHO'S HERE, LOU!

I WAS AFRAID WE'D HAVE TO WAIT TILL TOMORROW!

BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE SAW YOU AROUND, ***MISS LEE!***

YOU'RE ***LYLA LEE!*** WITH ***OO NEWS,*** RIGHT?

TONIGHT I NEED TO-***HUH?*** YEAH...

ABE! LOU! HIYA! HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO VISIT SINCE MANAGEMENT TRANSFERRED THE EDITORIAL STAFF TO ***DUCKLAIR TOWER!***

WE WERE TONIGHT'S ***MAINTENANCE CREW.*** SEE?

MAINTENANCE. I ***DO*** SEE...

TECHNICIANS, EH? YOU GUYS HAVE A BREAKDOWN?

YEAH! THE CONTROL PANEL'S ON THE FRITZ...

...AND THE ***EXECUTIVE ELEVATOR*** WAS ***STUCK*** BETWEEN FLOORS!

YOU'RE TELLIN' ME! THE CEO'S SUPPOSED TO STOP BY ***TONIGHT...***

TOO BAD.

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...AND HE'S GOT *IMPORTANT GUESTS!* SO EVERYTHING'S GOTTA BE SHIPSHAPE!

AT LEAST OUR *CLOSED CIRCUIT TV* WORKS–

WAITASEC... LOU! HIT THE ALARMS! NOW!

TROUBLE IN THE GARAGE, MISS LEE!

WHAT'S WRO–>*GASP!*<

CLIK

EEP BEEP BE

"*THERE'S A HOSTAGE SITUATION IN PROGRESS!*"

THE COPS WILL BE HERE IN A BIT! MEANWHILE, WE CAN–

HOLD THAT THOUGHT!

DUCK AVENGER!

I WAS SCANNING DOWNTOWN DUCKBURG WHEN I HEARD YOUR ALARM!

THANK HEAVENS!

KIDNAPPERS! THE GARAGE!

QUICKEST ROUTE?

THE *EXECUTIVE ELEVATOR!* TONIGHT'S MAINTENANCE CREW JUST OVERHAULED IT!

OOOW

ZZZ

HEY, ***ONE!*** I'M AT THE SCENE! YOU 'ROUND?

I'M HERE!

MAINTAIN RADIO CONTA- :KRRSHT... KRAACCKLE...:

DOGGONE RADIO CUT OUT!

NO WORRIES! A ***MASTER HERO*** LIKE ME DOESN'T NEED ONE'S HELP TO STOMP A FEW ***CHICKEN THIEVES!***

YIPE! OR MAYBE I DO...

EVRONIANS! THOSE SPACE-ROACHES ARE ***EVERYWHERE!***

F-THEEW!

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BUT THIS TIME THEY'RE *BIGGER* AND *BETTER-ARMED* THAN USUAL! MAYBE THEY'RE A *SPECIALTY UNIT!*

HMF! LET'S SEE IF THEY'RE *SPECIAL* ENOUGH....

WHIIIZ

KLIK

PFSSCHT

...TO HANDLE TH!!!!!– *WHAT?!?*

LOOK OUT! THEY'RE WEARING *DEPOLARIZATION ARMOR!*

GOOD TO KNOW! BUT WHO–?

HANG TIGHT, AVENGER! *WE'RE COMING!*

TIMECOPS, JUST IN TIME! I WAS RUNNING OUT OF POLITE CONVERSATION!

WHOOMM

THEIR DEFENSE IS USELESS AGAINST OUR *SCRAMBLERS!*

BROTHER, MY WHOLE *LIFE* IS DISORGANIZATION! *GO* FOR IT!

THEY'RE RETREATING! KEEP FIRING!

HA! THERE'S NO EXITS THAT WAY! LET'S SEE 'EM GET OUTTA *THAT!*

WHOOM!

WHOOM

ZZZZZZZZ

JUMPIN' JACKSNIPES! WHAT *AM* I SEEING?

A *MATTER DISPLACER.* IT WOULD SEEM THEY HAD ONE TUCKED AWAY. PITY.

SECURITY TOLD ME THERE WAS A *KIDNAPPING* GOING ON DOWN HERE, NOT A BLASTED *WORLD WAR!*

THERE *WAS* A KIDNAPPING. BUT *YOU'RE* NO LONGER *"DOWN HERE".*

IN FACT, YOU'RE NOT EVEN IN YOUR CORRECT *TIME.* WELCOME TO THE YEAR *2255,* DUCK AVENGER!

WHAAAT?!?

YOU SEEM IN-THE-KNOW! SO TELL ME *WHAT THE DUMDOODLE IS GOING ON!*

AND SO...

TALK ABOUT TRIPPY! I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M AT A *CHRONOSTATION* IN *23RD CENTURY DUCKBURG.*

BELIEVE IT! I'M *DUCKLAS STUYVESANT,* HEAD OF *TIMESPACE AFFAIRS!*

CALL ME *STY!* EVERYBODY DOES! AND THIS LITTLE GUY IS MY ASSISTANT, *GORDON!*

DELIGHTED.

SO I'M GUESSING *YOU* BROUGHT ME HERE, BIG BOY?

SORRY I DIDN'T INVITE YOU IN A LESS *"THEATRICAL"* WAY.

DON'T MISUNDERSTAND! YOU'RE *FAMOUS!* BUT UNFORTUNATELY, WE DON'T HAVE MANY SOURCES FOR HISTORICAL 21ST CENTURY NEWS!

HOWEVER, YOUR BATTLE AT CHANNEL 00 WAS CAUGHT ON *TAPE!* SO WE *SIMULATED* A BREAKDOWN IN THE ELEVATOR...

WE PLUCKED YOU FROM ONE OF YOUR FEW WELL-DOCUMENTED FEATS...

"FEW?" I THINK I'M OFFENDED!

TIME FLUXES MAKE MESSES, YOU SEE.

COULDA CAUSED A *CHRONO-CATACLYSM!*

UH... YEAH. CHRONO... *THINGIES...*

"...AND SENT OUR 'TECHNICIANS' TO INSTALL A *TEMPORAL TRANSPORTER* IN ITS CABIN...

"...PROGRAMMED TO ACTIVATE THE SECOND YOU ENTERED!"

I'LL TELL YOU *LATER.*

I SHOULDA KNOWN THE SECOND I SAW MY *"WELCOMING COMMITTEE!"* SO WHO—

I KNOW *HOW* I ARRIVED, BUT NOT *WHY!*

REALLY? YOU DIDN'T GUESS? IT'S THOSE *SUPER-EVRONIANS!*

RECEPTION

WE NEED *YOUR* HELP TO REPEL THEIR *INVASION!*

EXIT

THANK GOODNESS! IF YOU'D REFUSED WE'D HAVE IMMEDIATELY RETURNED YOU TO THE 21ST CENTURY!

WELL, OF COURSE I'LL HELP!

GORDON WILL POSTPONE YOUR RETURN! NOW FOLLOW ME AND I'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING!

BOYOBOYOBOY! I'M GONNA SEE WHAT DUCKBURG'S LIKE TWO CENTURIES AHEAD! *EEEE!*

EXIT

BUT...

SUPER TRASH

HERE

REALLY? WELL, FOR LOGISTIC REASONS, OUR CHRONOSTATION IS HOUSED IN THE OLD *COOT CIVIC CENTER!*

AW, NUTS! TALK ABOUT *LETDOWNS!* IT'S BARELY CHANGED!

BUT HAVE YOU LOOKED *UP* YET?

GREAT HONK... ***WHAT THE-*** IS THAT A ***CEILING?!***

YOU'LL SEE! NOW HURRY... MORE SUPER-EVRONIANS MAY BE PATROLLING IN SECRET!

COMIN'. WOW...

SEVERAL SKYSCRAPERS FROM YOUR TIME ARE STILL STANDING IN THIS AREA!

HEY! WE'RE TAKING OFF!

POP

FFSSHOOOOOO

210 WEST

THOSE SKYSCRAPERS ACT AS *SUPPORT PILLARS* FOR MODERN BUILDINGS!

I TAKE IT BACK... DUCKBURG'S *DEFINITELY CHANGED!*

TOP 1

KOOL

WOW. FAMILIAR SIGHTS... *NOTRE DUCK CATHEDRAL, McDUCK TOWER,* THE *COUNTY CONSCIENCE* PRINT BUILDING...

:EEP!: DUCKLAIR TOWER'S GONE!

OF COURSE! IT GOT *DEMOLISHED* AGES AGO...

...AND IN ITS PLACE ARE THE *EIDOLON GARDENS,* DIRECTLY BELOW!

THE GARDENS ARE A FREE *SPECIAL EFFECTS PUBLIC PARK,* DONATED BY A LOCAL *PHILANTHROPIST TYCOON!*

UNLIKE THE *STINGY* TYCOONS OF YOUR TIME, WHO—⁘ ARE YOU SAD? WHAT'S WRONG?

DUCKLAIR TOWER. A *FRIEND* LIVED THERE. I DIDN'T HAVE VERY MANY.

I'M SORRY, BUT AFTER *200-PLUS YEARS* I DOUBT *ANYONE* YOU KNEW IS STILL AROUND!

YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT HE WAS A... SPECIAL *ONE.* I CONSIDERED HIM TO BE NEARLY *ETERNAL.*

PHOOEY! ENOUGH WITH THE WATERWORKS! SHOW ME SOME MORE AWESOME *FUTURE STUFF!*

I'D BETTER NOT. YOU'VE SEEN ENOUGH AS IS!

'CAUSE IF YOU SEE *TOO MUCH,* THE TIMECOPS WILL HAVE TO *ERASE YOUR MEMORIES* BEFORE SENDING YOU BACK!

⁘MEEP⁘ THAT'S FINE. I'VE SEEN PLENTY.

BESIDES, YOU'LL FIND LOTS TO GAWK AT IN YOUR *APARTMENT!*

OOOH, *NICE!* IS IT FAR AWAY?

NOT AT ALL! JUST A COUPLE OF MILES...

...STRAIGHT UP!

AND WE'RE HERE! THIS'LL BE YOUR HEADQUARTERS.

A *TOP FLOOR* HOOKUP, EH? SWEEET!

FROM UP HERE YOU CAN REACH *ANY* POINT IN THE CITY *FAST,* SHOULD THOSE SUPER-EVRONIANS ATTACK!

WAAAK!

2 KM UP

PALM HILL WAY UP

220

CENTRE

WHY DO YOU KEEP CALLING THEM *"SUPER"?*

90 EAST

PALM HILL 120 EAST

BECAUSE THEY AREN'T LIKE ANY EVRONIANS YOU'VE MET IN *YOUR* TIME. I THOUGHT YOU'D NOTICED THAT.

I DID! *YOUR* EVRONIANS SEEM *WORSE!*

YOU'RE THINKING IN *EARTH* TERMS, D.A.! AND BESIDES, WITH YOUR *SUPERIOR INTELLECT* AND *STRATEGIC ABILITY,* WE'LL *SQUASH* THOSE VILLAINS FLAT! DON'T WORRY!

THAT'S BECAUSE THEY *ARE.* SUPER-EVRONIANS ARE *MUTATIONS,* FAR DEADLIER THAN THE *ORIGINAL STRAINS!*

"STRAINS?" AND... *COMPLEX* MUTATIONS IN ONLY *TWO* CENTURIES?

AFTER ALL, IT WAS ***YOU*** WHO DEALT A ***NEAR-FATAL*** BLOW TO PLANET EVRON!

I DID? WOW, THAT'S NICE TO KNOW!

PLUS: ***EVRONIANS FEAR YOU.*** IT'S WHY THEY TRIED CATCHING YOU BY ***SURPRISE*** WHEN YOU ARRIVED HERE!

HEY. COMPANY! *BIG FELLA.*

HELLO!

COLONEL! HOW NICE! I WASN'T EXPECTING TO SEE YOU HERE TODAY!

I POPPED BY TO CHECK ON THE ***ARSENAL'S EFFICIENCY,*** STY!

AVENGER, THIS IS ***COLONEL MANSUR*** FROM ***EARTH'S DEFENSE FORCE!***

WOW... JUST LIKE ***SCI-FI SHOWS*** BACK HOME!

GLAD TO HAVE YOU ON BOARD, HERO! I'M YOUR ***LIAISON OFFICER!***

CAN'T STAY, BOYS! I'M NEEDED AT CENTRAL COMMAND!

SEE YOU, SOLDIER!

WIIZ

HE MENTIONED... AN ***ARSENAL?***

OUR ARSENAL, YOUR ***ARMORY!*** TOP-OF-THE-LINE EQUIPMENT... ALL YOURS!

I HOPE YOU DON'T PLAN ON FIGHTING SUPER-EVRONIANS WITH THAT ***ANTIQUE SHIELD!***

IT'S KEPT ME ALIVE SO FAR!

ESPECIALLY AFTER OUR... *CHRONOSTATION CLASH...* ***GREAT HONK.***

THIS IS ***LIVING!*** I'M STAYING ***HERE?!*** THE ***RENT'LL*** PUT ME IN THE ***POORHOUSE!***

LIKE IT? IT'S EQUIPPED WITH THE BEST COMFORTS MONEY CAN BUY!

WE WANT YOU ***100% COMFORTABLE!*** IF YOU NEED ANYTHING, JUST AS— ✧

LYLA! HEY! YOU CHANGED YOUR ***HAIR!***

HI. MY NAME IS ***GEENA.***

HUH? YOU CHANGED YOUR ***NAME*** TOO.

HAHAHA! THIS ISN'T LYLA... THE 21ST-CENTURY-STATIONED ANDROID THAT *YOU* KNOW! AVENGER, MEET GEENA! A *DIFFERENT* DROID WITH THE SAME *MAKE* AND *MODEL!*

I READ THE TIME POLICE REPORTS AND DISCOVERED THAT YOU KNOW THEIR AGENT...

...SO I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE HAVING A *FAMILIAR FACE* AROUND!

OF COURSE, WE CAN CHANGE GEENA'S CHASSIS TO YOUR LIKING OR REPLACE IT–

PASS! I'M NOT DOWN WITH THAT KINDA *BACKWARD* THINKING!

WHY? SHE'S JUST A DROID. AN *IT.* A *MACHINE!*

DIFFERENT STROKES, MAC! I BELIEVE *ALL* INTELLIGENT THINKING BEINGS DESERVE *RESPECT.*

THIS IS WHERE MY FRIENDS BACK HOME WOULD SAY "EVEN THE *BIOLOGICAL* ONES!"

EITHER WAY, GEENA ISN'T HERE JUST TO ASSIST YOU! SHE'S ALSO HERE TO *INTERVIEW* YOU!

I'M CURRENTLY USING MY *POSITRONIC SENSORS* TO RECORD OUR CONVERSATION.

INTERVIEW *ME?* WHAT FOR?

FOR THE MEDIA! NEWS OUTLETS, NATURALLY!

IN THIS ERA, YOU'RE A ***CELEBRITY!*** ESPECIALLY SINCE...

*"...IT WAS YOU WHO CAPTURED **RED RAIDER** AND SAVED THE CITY OF DUCKBURG*, **CHANGING HISTORY** IN THE PROCESS!"*

** SEE DUCK AVENGER: BOOK 2 - "DAY OF THE COLD SUN"*

THE PUBLIC ADORES YOU! THEY'RE EAGER TO SEE YOU ON *PV!*

LANGUAGE CHANGED TOO?! IN MY DAY IT WAS *TV!*

AH, BUT *PV* IS NOT *TV!* PV MEANS ***"PERSONAL VIRTUALITY!"***

PV IS THE MOST WIDESPREAD MEANS OF MASS COMMUNICATION!

SOUNDS NEAT! HOW'S THIS BAD BOY WORK?

I'LL SHOW YOU! I ALWAYS CARRY A COUPLE OF ***TAPE TERMINALS*** SO I CAN KEEP UP WITH THE NEWS!

YOU WEAR IT LIKE THIS, THEN YOU TOUCH YOUR TEMPLE...

...AND TUNE RIGHT IN!

GREAT HOWLING CRASHWAGONS! A FRONTIER TOWN!

HOTEL

BANK

YES.... ***WESTERNS*** ARE BACK IN VOGUE AS OF LATE. *I HAVE NO IDEA WHY. HORRIBLY ARCHAIC TIME PERIOD.*

"INDUCED PERCEPTION." TO BE PRECISE–AT THIS MOMENT, MILLIONS OF ***OTHER*** VIEWERS ARE EXPERIENCING THE ***SAME*** ILLUSION AS US!

DAVID HARLEY & SON

EVEN THE WEATHER FEELS REAL! WHAT KINDA SIMULATION IS THIS?

REALLY? I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER VIEWERS!

BWAHAHA! WE ***BETTER NOT...*** OR IT'D BE ***"GOODBYE, REALISM!"***

ONLY TAPE TERMINALS THAT ARE ***CLOSE*** TO EACH OTHER CAN TUNE INTO THE ***SAME*** CHANNELS– OR ***RESONATE*** TOGETHER!

I GET IT! THAT WAY YOU CAN WATCH WITH FRIENDS OR FAMILY!

BINGO! AND IF YOU DON'T ***LIKE*** WHAT YOU'RE WATCHING...

...SIMPLY *CHANGE THE CHANNEL!*

NUTS TO FRONT ROW SEATS! WE'RE SMACK ON THE *STAGE!*

PERHAPS YOU'D PREFER A DOCUMENTARY?

HOLD THE PHONE...

OR-?!?

...THAT'S *ME!*

WAIT! WHERE'D EVERYTHING GO? SOMEBODY BEND AN ANTENNA?

NO, AVENGER. I DISCONNECTED THE FEED.

THAT WAS A ***NEWSBRIEF!*** IF YOU'D MANAGED TO WATCH 23RD CENTURY ***CURRENT EVENTS...***

YEAH, I KNOW! THE TIMECOPS WOULD HAVE A ***HISSY FIT!***

ANYWAY, THE TELECAST CONCERNING ***YOU*** SHOULD BE ***OVER*** BY NOW! 23RD CENTURY NEWS PROGRAMS ARE NOTORIOUSLY ***SHORT!***

SHORT LIKE THIS GOOFY ***RIBBON?*** I MUST'VE TIED IT TOO TIGHT! DOGGONE THING GAVE ME A HEADACHE!

THAT HAPPENS TO FOLKS WHO AREN'T USED TO IT...

...WHICH IS WHY I HAD A ***JUMBOTRON*** INSTALLED!

JUMPIN' JUPITER! THAT'S MY KINDA ***ANTIQUE!***

OF COURSE, IT ONLY GETS A ***FRACTION*** OF PV PROGRAMMING, SINCE ITS RECEIVER IS ONLY ***PARTIALLY*** COMPATIBLE WITH THE TYPE OF BANDWIDTH THAT PVs USE!

SO YOU'LL HAVE TO SETTLE FOR ONLY A ***COUPLE THOUSAND*** CHANNELS!

SEVERAL CLASSIC 21ST CENTURY FILMS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE!

YOUR REMOTE, SIR!

MEEP.

ALL NEW FOR ***ME... SUPER SNOOPER TRILOGY,*** THE COMPLETE ***CAPTAIN RETRO-DUCK...*** I... I...

THIS IS ***BEAUTIFUUUH-*** WHAT'S THAT NOISE?

BLIIT BLIIT BLIIT

BLIIT BLIIT

THE *HOLOCOM!* THAT'S GOT TO BE THE EMERGENCY SIGNAL!

SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGE. JUST WHEN I'M ABOUT TO RELAX IN FRONT OF THE TV, *THE PHONE RINGS!*

I'LL GET IT, SIRS.

THIS IS COLONEL MANSUR CALLING FROM LEVEL 14! *RESPOND!*

OH!

THE SUPER-EVRONIANS ARE ATTACKING DUCKBURG'S POWER PLANT!

KEEP 'EM TOASTY! *I'M ON MY WAY!*

YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO! I'LL TAKE YOU!

YOU BROUGHT THAT SAME OLD SHIELD?

HECK YEAH! I HAVEN'T EVEN *SEEN* THE NEW STUFF!

FOX

DON'T SWEAT IT, STY! MY X-TRANSFORMER'S ALL I NEED!

SHORTLY...

HIYA, BOYS! DID I MISS THE PARTY?

HOLY COW! IT'S THE *DUCK AVENGER!*

TRY *THIS* AND TELL ME HOW *OLD-FASHIONED* IT IS!

SHTOOM

NICE TO KNOW THE CLASSICS STILL HAVE PIZAZZ!

ZOOM

LOOK AT *THIS* NOISY BOY! 'SUP? WANNA ARM WRESTLE?

OLÉ!

HEAVY HANDS, GRUESOME!

KRRANCH

I HOPE MY *INSURANCE* IS STILL VALID IN THE FUTURE!

SBRANG

THAT THING'S *OUT OF CONTROL!*

WE'VE GOT TO HELP HIM!

KEEP THE EVRONIAN *BUSY, AVENGER!* WE'LL ATTACK IT FROM BEHIND!

SURROUND IT, MEN! WE- :AAAH!: OH, NO!

AAAHGH

HUH?

NO! MANSUR! WHERE ARE YOU? THERE'S GOTTA BE A STAIRCASE BACK HERE OR SOMETH-

OH, NO... *OH, NO!!!*

THAT FIRST STEP WAS A *SUPER-DOOZY!*

HEY! MANSUR'S *HURT* AND THE SUPER-EVRONIANS ARE *GETTING AWAY!*

THE *TROOPS* WILL CHASE THE SUPER-EVRONIANS! YOU SEE TO THE COLONEL!

BUT...

I DON'T GET IT! MANSUR WAS *RIGHT HERE* A MINUTE AGO!

NEVER FEAR! MANSUR'S *HERE!*

WHAT?!

YOU OKAY, COLONEL MANSUR?

SPLENDID! THE *GRAVITATIONAL LIMITERS* IN MY UNIFORM HELPED CUSHION MY FALL!

THAT'S *IMPOSSIBLE!* HE WAS *OUT COLD!* I CLEARLY SAW HIM!

WE'LL DISCUSS IT LATER! RIGHT NOW WE NEED TO LEAVE!

DIT DIT DIT

THEY'VE FOUND US! MANSUR WILL HAVE TO HOLD THEM OFF!

WHO? THE SUPER-EVRONIANS?

NO! ***THE FANS!***

UNBELIEVABLE. ALL THAT RUCKUS FOR AN ***AUTOGRAPH!***

SURPRISED? WHY? IN YOUR ERA, "MESS MEDIA" HAD ***ALREADY BEGUN*** TO TURN EVERYTHING INTO SPECTACLES AND EVENTS!

AFTER TWO CENTURIES OF ***SHOWBIZ NEWSCASTS,*** IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT ONE OF EARTH'S HEROIC DEFENDERS IS BOTH A STAR ***AND*** A DIVO!

BUT THAT CROWD WASN'T *REALLY* THERE FOR *HIM!* THEY WANTED THEIR *PHANTOM KNIGHT OF THE PAST!*

"PHANTOM KNIGHT?" YOU MEAN *ME?*

BINGO! BUT I PREFER MY SECRET WEAPON TO *STAY* SECRET!

YEAH, YEAH... AND I KNOW WHY! "WE CAN'T GIVE TOO MUCH AWAY, BLAH-BLAH-BLAH..." I'M ALREADY *WEARY* OF THIS!

I'M SORRY, AVENGER. BUT BELIEVE ME WHEN I SAY IT'S *BETTER* THAT WE– *HEY! WHAT THE?!?*

BUMP

HANG TIGHT, AVENGER! THAT *LIMO* IS FORCING US TO LAND...

MORE TROUBLES, I ASSUME?

WE'LL KNOW SOON ENOUGH! THEY'RE LANDING TOO!

PARDON MY FORCED INTERRUPTION, BUT MY DESIRE TO MEET THE ***DUCK AVENGER*** OVERCAME MY GOOD MANNERS.

IF YOU CARE THAT MUCH, APOLOGY ACCEPTED!

THANK YOU! IT'S ***SO GOOD*** TO SEE YOU AGAIN, D.A.!

AGAIN? SORRY, PAL. I DON'T THINK WE'VE MET.

G-GREAT DAY IN THE MORNING! ***ODIN EIDOLON!***

YES... MY FAULT. HEH. SOMETIMES I TEND TO GET MY WORDS MIXED UP.

LANGUAGE BARRIERS, EH? ***ODIN*** IS A PRETTY UNUSUAL NAME!

IT HAILS FROM ***NORDIC MYTHOLOGY.*** ALTHOUGH IT HAS ***OTHER*** MEANINGS...

THAT SAID, I WON'T WASTE YOUR TIME! I SIMPLY WANTED TO SHOW MY ***DEEP ADMIRATION,*** IS ALL!

I APPRECIATE THE SHOW OF THANKS!

MY CARD. I'M AT YOUR COMPLETE DISPOSAL SHOULD YOU NEED ANYTHING!

THANKS, PAL!

I HOPE WE CAN TALK UNDER CALMER CIRCUMSTANCES!

Zzz

T-THAT'S ODIN...

...EIDOLON! YEAH, YOU TOLD ME!

YOU DON'T GET IT! HE'S ONE OF THE ***RICHEST,*** MOST ***POWERFUL*** DUCKS IN THE 23RD CENTURY!

AMONG OTHER THINGS, HE OWNS THE INDUSTRY'S LEADING ***DROID MANUFACTURING PLANTS!***

SURPRISED I'VE GOT FANS IN ***HIGH PLACES,*** STY?

A BIT! I DON'T—THE CAR'S HOLOCOM?

BLIIT BLIIT

GORDON?! WHAT DO *YOU* WANT?

YOU'RE WANTED AT THE *STUDIO,* MR. STUYVESANT!

YOU NEED TO OVERSEE *CASTING!* AND WE HAVE ANOTHER PROBLEM THAT–

TELL ME LATER! CAN'T YOU SEE I'M WITH THE DUCK AVENGER?

ZAZZ

LET'S GET YOU HOME, D.A.! SADLY, DUTY CALLS!

:YAWN!: GOOD! I COULD USE THE REST... SUPER-EVRONIAN ATTACKS PERMITTING.

GOOD! I'M FINALLY *ALONE!* NOW TO HASH OUT MY THOUGHTS! SQUARE OR NOT-SQUARE... THAT IS THE QUESTION! 'CAUSE THIS ENTIRE SETUP IS DOGGONE SUSPICIOUS!

EAST

THE FUTURE'S GOT *HIGH-TECH ARMIES* AND *SUPERWEAPONS!* THEY DON'T *REALLY* NEED *MY* HELP, DO THEY?

AND SOMETHING'S SHADY ABOUT STUYVESANT TOO! HE *SO OBVIOUSLY* DIDN'T WANT TO SPEAK TO GORDON IN FRONT OF ME!

I'LL SHED LIGHT ON THIS UN-SERENE SCENE BY ASKING ***GEENA*** SOME QUESTIONS!

YOU SURE ABOUT THAT, DUCK AVENGER?...

MORE ***QUESTIONS? ENOUGH*** ALREADY!

WE CAN TAKE A BREAK IF YOU LIKE, BUT I ***DID*** SAY I HAVE TO INTERVIEW YOU.

AW, ***LAY OFF!*** YOU AND STY ARE ONLY CONCERNED ABOUT MY ***PUBLIC IMAGE!***

I HEARD HIM MENTION ***STUDIOS*** AND ***CASTING!*** THAT'S ***TV TERMINOLOGY!***

WELL, OF COURSE! IT'S MR. STUYVESANT'S JOB, AS THE ***HEAD OF TIMESPACE AFFAIRS,*** TO CURATE ANY MEDIA CONCERNING YOU!

YOUR PRESENCE HERE GIVES US A GREAT ***PSYCHOLOGICAL ADVANTAGE*** IN THE FIGHT AGAINST EVRON. I THOUGHT WE'D ALREADY EXPLAINED THIS.

OUR PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW YOU BETTER. IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT WE ASK SO MUCH.

AND THAT'S THE ***ONLY*** REASON FOR ALL THIS?

OF COURSE! YOUR ***SUSPICIONS*** ONLY SHOW HOW ***STRESSED*** YOU ARE.

YOU NEED TO RELAX. HERE, LET ME SHOW YOU YOUR ARMORY.

BEEP BEEP

SEE? *MICROWAVE BAZOOKAS,* A *PERSONAL AEROFLIGHTER,* AND EVEN *SINGULARITY IMPLOSION PROJECTORS!*

SOOOO INTERESTING.

OR YOU COULD TRY YOUR *JUMBOTRON!* YOU CAN FIND ALL THE MOVIES YOU WANT ON CHANNELS 564 AND 3281!

VVVP

MAKE YOURSELF COMFORTABLE! I'LL GRAB YOU SOME SNACKS!

I'LL *NEVER* SAY NO TO *THAT.*

BUT...

BO-RING! TECHNOLOGY'S ADVANCED, BUT THE PROGRAMS ARE ALL *:PBBBT!:*

I'VE SEEN *"THE MONSTER THAT ATE THE OTHER MONSTER'S MONSTER"* 36 TIMES! CAN'T THEY EAT *ANGUS FANGUS?*

ZAP

WHOA! NOW *THIS* IS INTERESTING! WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T LEARN ANYTHING BY *CHANNEL-SURFING?*

TIME FOR ME TO LEARN *MORE!*

HEY, GEENA! WHERE CAN I FIND INFO ABOUT MOVIES AND SOME OF THEIR ACTORS?

TRY *PVFDB*—THE PERSONAL VIRTUALITY FAN DATABASE!

YOU CAN ACCESS IT BY TYPING *@**/PV* ON THE REMOTE CONTROL!

"THANKS, GEENA! YOU'RE AWESOME!"

A-HA! IT'S ALL THE NEWS I WANTED, AND *THEN* SOME!

I *KNEW* SOMETHING WAS DESPICABLE IN DUCKBURG!

CLIK

BUT I CAN'T ASK QUESTIONS, SO HOW CAN I BE *SURE?* THINK, DONALD...

GEENA, STY, GORDON AND MANSUR WOULD ALL *DENY* IT! AND I DON'T EVEN *KNOW* MY *FAMILY* IN THIS TIME!

WAIT... THAT CLASSY *ADMIRER* OF MINE! IT'S HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT *HE'D* BE PART OF THIS PLOT. WHAT WAS HIS NAME AGAIN...?

I MET HIM EARLIER TODAY, AND I'D LIKE TO MEET HIM *AGAIN.* HOW CAN I CONTACT HIM?

IS HE A FRIEND OF YOURS? I WAS ASSEMBLED IN ONE OF HIS FACTORIES.

THAT'S NOT HARD. HE LIVES NEAR HERE!

THAT'S RIGHT! *ODIN EIDOLON!*

"NEAR" MEANING "A SHORT FLIGHT AWAY," OF COURSE. THAT'S HIS VILLA THERE!

IF YOU'D LIKE TO VISIT HIM, THEN I'LL TALK TO STY ABOUT IT WHEN HE RETURNS.

SUDDENLY I NEED STY'S *PERMISSION?*

OF COURSE NOT. BUT MR. EIDOLON IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT PERSON.

I'M SURE STY WOULD LOVE TO ACCOMPANY YOU AND—*OH!* THE AUTO-COOKER'S TIMER!

MY *SNACKS* ARE DONE? GO RUSTLE 'EM UP, GEENA! I'LL WAIT HERE!

TII TII TII

HEH... OR MAYBE I *WON'T!*

MEANWHILE, ELSEWHERE!

STUDIO 11

BUSY WITH *MAKEUP!* HE WANTED TO SEE YOU!

I EXPECTED THAT. LET'S DO THIS.

BLAST IT, STY! THAT CRAZY EVRONIAN DARN NEAR *RUINED EVERYTHING!*

SIT STILL, PLEASE!

I KNOW! YOUR *IMPROVISATION* IS EXCELLENT!

MR. STUYVESANT! YOU'RE BACK!

WHERE'S THE "COLONEL," GORDON?

THAT UNEXPLAINED *DRAMATIC DIVE* YOU TOOK MADE THE PERFECT DIVERSION!

PV

6A VAN

7A

FLATTERER! WHAT ELSE CAN I SAY... EXCEPT THAT I *OOZE TALENT?*

YES, BUT WE CAN'T RISK A REPEAT.

THE RESULTING CONSEQUENCES COULD BE CATASTROPHIC.

THE CASTING CALL, SIR! DON'T FORGET!

THIS MANY?! AND THEY ALL WANT TO WORK?

THE WAITING ROOM'S FILLED WITH *APPLICANTS* WHO WANT IN ON THE SHOW!

BEING AN *EXTRA* IS CONSIDERED *DROID WORK.* BUT THESE FOLKS ARE WILLING TO DO IT– JUST TO BE NEAR THEIR *MASKED IDOL!*

I'VE HIT THE CERTIFIABLE *JACKPOT!* GORDON... *HIRE THEM ALL!*

WITHOUT EVEN *EXAMINING* THEM?!

NO SENSE BEING PICKY! AFTER ALL, I HIRED *YOU* THE SAME WAY, DIDN'T I?

YES, SIR! I HAD NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE!

THEN DO AS I SAY! AS FOR ME...

...I'VE GOT MORE *IMPORTANT THINGS* TO TEND TO.

HERE YOU GO! PLEASE ENJOY THIS 23RD CENTURY CUISINE.

I COME WITH A SPECIAL GASTRONOMIC PROGRAM THAT-

AVENGER?

WOW

...AND IS CURRENTLY HEADED TOWARD EIDOLON'S VILLA!

THIS IS A DISASTER!

MAYBE... MAYBE NOT. I SEE AN *OPPORTUNITY.*

GORDON, PREP THE CREW FOR *SCENE 9-3!*

AT EIDOLON'S RESIDENCE, SIR?

WUUUP

HE'LL BE LIVID! HE'S A VERY INFLUENTIAL MAN, AND OUR SPONSORS–

DON'T WORRY. HE WON'T PROTEST.

A DUCK AVENGER *ENTHUSIAST* LIKE ODIN EIDOLON WILL BE THRILLED TO SEE HIM IN ACTION!

I CAN'T BELIEVE I DID IT!

NOW ALL I GOTTA DO IS FIND THE *LANDLORD* OF THIS PALACE, AND–

STEERING THIS *AEROFLIGHTER* WAS MORE DIFFICULT THAN I'D EXPECTED, BUT I REALLY DID IT!

HALT.

PRESENT YOUR PAPERS.

WHO ARE YOU?

O-KAY... I'M DEFINITELY IN TROUBLE!

DELTA! GAMMA! *DEACTIVATE!*

EH?

GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN, AVENGER.

IF YOU'D WARNED ME ABOUT YOUR VISIT IN ADVANCE, I WOULD HAVE DEACTIVATED MY ***GUARDIAN DROIDS.***

SORRY, MR. EIDOLON! DIDN'T WANNA SPOIL THE SURPRISE!

SEC

SEC

...AND EVEN IF I'D WANTED TO, I DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO REACH YOU!

REALLY? I'M SURE I GAVE YOU MY ***BUSINESS CARD!***

HUH?

TO CALL ME AUTOMATICALLY, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS INSERT IT INTO A ***HOLOCOM SLOT!***

I'LL REMEMBER THAT FOR NEXT TIME.

IT'S MY FAULT. I FORGET THAT ***MOLECULAR MEMORY BUSINESS CARDS*** DIDN'T EXIST BACK THEN. IT'S BEEN SO LONG!

WAIT, WHAT DIDN'T EXIST ***WHEN?***

IT'S NOT IMPORTANT. WHAT MATTERS IS THAT YOU'RE HERE NOW.

I HAVE TO WARN YOU–YOU'RE IN ***GRAVE DANGER!***

REALLY? I ***KNEW*** SOMETHING WAS WRONG...

...BUT I WASN'T EXPECTING IT TO BE ***GRAVE!*** TELL ME EVERYTHING!

IN A MOMENT. FIRST...

...I NEED TO GIVE YOU ***THIS!***

A TOY PISTOL?

CALL IT A ***DEFENSIVE MEASURE!*** YOU'LL NEED IT ***WHEN*** THE SITUATION WORSENS.

BUT BE CAREFUL! USE IT ONLY AT THE RIGHT MOMENT! IT WILL ONLY WORK ***ONCE!***

THANKS. THAT DOESN'T CALM ME DOWN ***AT ALL!***

AS FOR THE THREAT THAT'S LOOMING OVER YOU, IT'S–

THUD THUD

HANG ON! YOU HEAR THAT *NOISE?*

SOMETHING OUTSIDE IS *DROPPING DOWN* ON TOP OF US!

PERFECT...

THUD

SUPER-EVRONIANS!

OH, ME! OH, MY! TODAY IS FILLED WITH *UNEXPECTED VISITS!*

THEY'RE ATTACKING! SHOULD I GO OUT THERE WITH MY MEN?

NOT YET...

OUR LITTLE HERO WANTED THINGS *HIS* WAY. SO LET'S MAKE HIM *SWEAT* A BIT.

"WHAT? HIM, WORRY? DON'T BET ON IT!"

NAH! WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR, BOYS? HERE I AM!

DEFEND YOURSELF, AVENGER!

F-THAAM

THAAM

I'M NOT WORRIED, MR. EIDOLON! 'CAUSE I'VE GOT A THEORY!

ZWEEEE

ZWEEE

THESE GHOULS ARE FRIENDLY, SEE? THEY WOULDN'T...

...SHOOT ME?!?

WHAAM

Z-DAAK

OH, NO! NOT AGAIN!!

Z-DHAAK

Z-DHAAAK

WHAM

WRAM

NUTS TO THEORY! THIS IS *PROOF POSITIVE* THEY WANT ME *ROASTED!*

TIME TO TEST THE NEW STUFF! *IMPULSE REPEATER! REFLECTOR SHIELD!*

HOLY HONK! ALL THIS STUFF IS JUNK!

DIVE, AVENGER! AVOID THE BLASTS! I KNOW HOW TO END THIS! *ATTENTION, GUARD DROIDS...*

ZWIING

CLACK

CRASH

RRIK

...GAMMA AND DELTA! INITIATE "SITUATION C"!

TLANK

P-THOO

P-THOO

P-THOO

SEC

WHO GETS STUCK WITH ALL THE BAD LUCK? NOT ME *TODAY*—OR I'D ALREADY BE PUSHING UP DAISIES!

RBC

THANK GOODNESS THAT WAS JUST A ***BATTLE-PRACTICE DROID!*** I DON'T KNOW IF GAMMA AND DELTA COULD BEAT A ***REAL WARRIOR!***

BUT IT ***WASN'T*** A REAL WARRIOR! JUST AS I THOUGHT!

DUCK AVENGER! D.A.!!!

ARE YOU ALIVE, SIR?!

NO THANKS TO YOU! BLOW AWAY!

ANOTHER ***DEFECTIVE*** EVRONIAN? HOW IS THIS HAPPENING?!

THIS DOESN'T MAKE SENSE! SOMEONE IS TRYING TO RUIN ME!

STUYVESANT!

M-MR. EIDOLON! HIIIIIIIII....

YOU OWE ME AN EXPLANATION.

O-OF C-COURSE! BUT CAN WE DO IT IN P-PRIVATE? YOU SEE-

IF MY ***PRESENCE*** MAKES YOU SKITTISH... THEN ***RELAX,*** STY!

I KNOW ***EVERYTHING!*** AND ***I'VE*** GOT RAW STUFF TO TELL ***ALL OF YOU!***

OF COURSE WE-

ZIP IT, GREENBEAN! I'VE ALSO GOT SOMETHING TO ***SHOW...*** BUT NOT ***HERE!***

NO! AT THE ***APARTMENT!*** WE'LL LEAVE WITH MR. EIDOLON'S OKAY, OF COURSE!

GO ON AHEAD, D.A. I'LL STAY HERE TO ASSESS DAMAGES.

WE'RE ALL EARS! IF...

SOON ENOUGH...

I'LL HAVE MY LAWYERS SEND YOU THE BILL, STUYVESANT.

THERE, THERE, STYSIE! I GUARANTEE THE ***WORST*** IS YET TO COME!

PAT PAT

THIS PLAY IS OVER!

AND WHEN I SAY ***PLAY,*** YOU ALL KNOW ***EXACTLY*** WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT!

US? ***NOOOO!***

WE DON'T UNDERSTAND! WHY–

HUSH! I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT SO I'LL ***EMBARRASS*** YOU BY ***SHOWING YOU!***

IT WASN'T HARD... EVEN ***AFTER*** YOU BENT BACKWARD TO ***LIE*** ABOUT IT!

IF I'D KNOWN YOU WERE A STAR, I'D HAVE HOUNDED YOU FOR AN AUTOGRAPH... ***"COLONEL" LAVALLE!***

MY ***PV DATABASE FILE!***

H-HOW DID YOU FIND THAT?!

YOU CAREFULLY KEPT ME ***AWAY*** FROM PEOPLE, AND KEPT ME FROM ***SEEING*** ANY PV BROADCASTS THAT ***DIRECTLY MENTIONED*** ME!

GULP

YOU EVEN GAVE ME A JUMBOTRON THAT ONLY PLAYED ***MOVIES!*** ***THAT*** WAS YOUR MISTAKE! MOVIES MEANT ***CLUES!***

AND I ***LOVE*** MOVIE-WATCHING! FOR EXAMPLE, I CAUGHT ***AUTOCRAT OF THE ASTEROIDS...***

...STARRING THE GREAT ***BURTON LAVALLE*** AS THE LEAD!

FOR THE RECORD, IT'S NOT MY BEST PERFORMANCE.

SHUT UUUUUP....

WHILE READING THE DATABASE, I FOUND A SPECIAL ***TRIVIA TIDBIT*** ABOUT OUR FAMOUS ACTOR!

LAVALLE'S ***ALSO*** THE FAVORITE ACTOR OF THE EQUALLY FAMOUS ***PRODUCER*** AND ***DIRECTOR... DUCKLAS STUYVESANT!***

DARN RIGHT I DID! EXPLAIN YOUR ***LIES. NOW!***

NO SENSE HIDING IT. YOU'VE FOUND US.

AVENGER... I ***WASN'T LYING*** ABOUT YOUR ***FAME*** IN THE 23RD CENTURY.

BUT AUDIENCES AREN'T CONTENT WITH WHAT LITTLE IS KNOWN OF YOU IN OUR ***CARTOONS*** AND ***COMICS.*** THEY WANT TO ***KNOW*** THEIR ***PHANTOM KNIGHT*** OF THE PAST. ***THE REAL YOU.***

SO I CREATED A ***SERIES*** ABOUT YOU—ENTITLED ***"PORTRAIT OF THE HERO AS A YOUNG DUCK"!***

HERO BEAT!

TODAY

IT WAS A ***SMASH HIT!*** BUT AFTER AWHILE, DRAMATIC RECONSTRUCTIONS AND HISTORICAL RECORDINGS WEREN'T ***ENOUGH*** SOURCE MATERIAL FOR ME.

FOR THE FINAL EPISODE I NEEDED THE ***REAL YOU!*** IMAGINE IF I BROUGHT YOU TO THE ***FUTURE!***

"LOOK, VIEWERS! THE DIABOLICAL DUCK AVENGER... HERE TO RESCUE ***OUR*** DUCKBURG!"

ALSO STARRING ***THIS*** BELOVED ACTOR!

YOU ***ACTUALLY BELIEVE*** THAT'S A GREAT IDEA.

"BUT IT IS! IN FACT, I EVEN MANAGED TO GET ***OFFICIAL PERMISSION*** FROM THE TIME POLICE!"

HONESTLY, GETTING YOU HERE WASN'T HARD! THE REAL PROBLEM WAS KEEPING YOU IN THE ***DARK*** ABOUT THE ***REASONS*** WHY WE'D BROUGHT YOU!

I'M SORRY, BUT THEY ***HAD*** TO BE! HOW ELSE COULD WE HAVE SEEN YOU IN ACTION?

OTHERWISE YOU WOULDN'T HAVE REACTED TO EVENTS AROUND YOU IN A ***NATURAL*** WAY.

GOOD OL' STY HAS MASTERED THE SCHOOL OF ***NEO-NEO-NEOREALISM!***

YEAH, WELL I'VE MASTERED ***BEIN' ANNOYED!*** I NOTICED YOUR BOOTLEG EVRONIANS WERE ***ALL TOO REAL!***

TO AVOID PROBLEMS, THE EVRONIANS YOU SAW AT THE CHRONOSTATION WERE ***DENSOGRAPHIC 3-D HOLOGRAMS!***

SO ***THAT'S*** HOW THEY VANISHED! "MATTER DISPLACERS"... ***BAH!***

THUS, MY ***SECOND*** GREAT IDEA: ***REVISITING*** YOUR ***OLD ADVERSARIES*** THROUGH A ***MODERN MINDSET!***

Z.

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"MEANWHILE, THE SUPER-EVRONIANS YOU MET LATER WERE PERFECTLY PROGRAMMED EXTRAS... BATTLE-PRACTICE DROIDS!"

OBVIOUSLY LED BY ***ACTORS WITH RIGS.*** A :AHEM: LESSER ROLE...

THAT'S WHY I GOT WORRIED WHEN YOU BROUGHT YOUR ***SHIELD*** TO THE FIGHT, RATHER THAN ***MY PROPS!***

I WAS TERRIFIED YOU MIGHT... ***DENT*** MY DROIDS!

YEAH, EXCEPT ***I GOT DENTED*** INSTEAD!

YOU AND YOUR ***"PERFECT PROGRAMMING"!*** THOSE RUSTY RATTLETRAPS ALMOST ***FRICASSEED*** ME!

IT WAS AN ***ACCIDENT!*** I... I'M SORRY...

TWICE! DON'T FORGET THE SECOND TIME!

THE FIRST TIME I CHALKED IT UP TO A ***DEFECTIVE*** EVRONIAN...

VAN

"...THAT'S WHY I HAD 'COL. MANSUR' TOPPLE OFF THE BUILDING'S EDGE TO **DISTRACT** YOU! IT GAVE ME AND MY TECHNICIANS TIME TO **DEACTIVATE** IT!"

OFF

BUT DURING THE INCIDENT AT EIDOLON'S VILLA, SOMEHOW A ***REAL WEAPON*** ENDED UP IN ONE OF MY DROIDS' HANDS!

AND YOU DON'T KNOW ***HOW?*** OR ***WHODUNIT?***

I CAN'T EVEN GO TO THE 23RD CENTURY WITHOUT ***BAD LUCK*** FOLLOWING ME, SOME ***NUT*** GETTING MAD AT ME—OR WORSE, TRYING TO ***DESTROY ME!***

I'M ***DONE!*** SEND ME BACK TO MY TIME! ***NOW!***

WHAAAT?! NO! NO!!!

HORRORS! YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ***ME... US!***

THE SHOW AND MY REP WILL BE ***RUINED!***

IF "PORTRAIT OF THE HERO"'S ***HYPED PROTAGONIST*** RUNS OFF BEFORE IT ENDS, THE PUBLIC WILL ***EAT ME ALIVE!***

PLEASE, AVENGER! AT LEAST FILM THE ***FINAL SCENE*** SO WE'LL HAVE ENOUGH FOOTAGE TO COBBLE TOGETHER OUR ***SERIES FINALE!***

ONE SCENE, EH? FINE. ***ONE. THAT'S IT!***

I PROMISE YOU: THIS WILL BE MY *MASTERPIECE!* NO TRICKS!

EVERYONE *GET OUT!* I NEED TO BE ALONE.

OF COURSE! *METHOD ACTORS* MUST *CONCENTRATE* TO PLAY THEIR PARTS!

YOU TOO, GEENA! *SCRAM!*

:HUH?:

BUT I'M SUPPOSED TO STAY TO ASSIST YOU AND...

...REPORT MY EVERY MOVE TO STY? THANKS, BUT NO THANKS, SISTER!

MAYBE ALL DROIDS *AREN'T* EQUAL. YOU'RE *DIFFERENT* FROM LYLA. JUST AN *OBEDIENT MACHINE.*

THAT'S NOT TRUE! I-

DON'T ANNOY HIM! HE'LL CHANGE HIS MIND!

GOOD! NOW I CAN PREP FOR MY *GRAND FINALE...*

SHOOM

...BECAUSE THE FINAL SCENE WILL BE THE MOST *DANGEROUS* YET!

PALM HILL

120

NUTS TO STUYVESANT! I'M NOT DOING THIS TO PLEASE HIM! SOME JOKER IS *REALLY* OUT TO GET ME! I NEED TO FIND OUT *WHO*...

...AND I *CAN'T* SCREW UP! IF I LET THAT NUT ROAM FREE IN THE FUTURE, HE COULD ATTACK ME BACK HOME IN THE 21ST CENTURY!

BUT WHO *IS* HE? AN OLD ENEMY? RED RAIDER? AN *ACCOMPLICE* OF RED RAIDER?

PHOOEY! YOU CAN'T DO THIS ON YOUR OWN, DONALD! YOU'RE... *I'M* GONNA NEED *HELP.*

BUT EVEN THOUGH THEY CONFESSED EVERYTHING, HOW CAN I TRUST STY AND HIS GANG?

ODIN OLOM

HMM...

YOU *DID* DIVERT TRAFFIC, RIGHT GORDON?

APH

PV

EASTERN AV.

BEAU

WOW

YES, MR. STUYVESANT. AND SECURITY IS KEEPING THE FANS AT BAY!

ALL... EXCEPT *ONE!*

WHAT? *WHO?!* I ASKED YOU TO–

HELLO, STUYVESANT. THE AVENGER PERSONALLY INVITED ME TO THE SHOOT. I HOPE YOU HAVE NOTHING AGAINST THAT.

:EEP!: N-NO, MR. EIDOLON! PLEASURE HAVING YOU HERE!

I HOPE THIS WILL EXCUSE MY EARLIER *:AHEM:* UNFORTUNATE, UNINTENTIONAL INVASION OF YOUR PRIVACY!

WE'LL SEE.

READY ON THE SET, MR. STUYVESANT!

YES. GOOD. OKAY...

...LIGHTS! PV-CAMERAS! AAAND... *ACTION!*

THIS IS IT! THE *FINAL SHOWDOWN* AS THE SUPER-EVRONIANS ATTACK THE CITY OF DUCKBURG!

ZZTHEEW ZZTHEEW

ZZPP ZZ

WE'VE CHECKED EACH EVRONIAN INDIVIDUALLY, SIR...

HERE'S HOPING.

OH, *HEY!* QUICK, MR. EIDOLON—LOOK OVER THERE!

...THEIR PROGRAMMING IS UNALTERED AND THEIR WEAPONS ARE *ALL PROPS!*

IT'S THE DUCK AVENGER LEADING *EARTH'S DEFENSE FORCES!*

EARTH ARMY

VROOOOM

WOW. YOU REALLY WENT ALL OUT! YOU EVEN PROCURED A *MILITARY LAND-CRUISER!*

SWEET, HUH? OF COURSE, IT IS A *PROP* AND NOT AN *ACTUAL* COMBAT VEHICLE!

I WOULD HOPE NOT.

IT'S ONLY MEANT TO BE A BACKDROP, ANYWAY. NO SUPER-EVRONIAN COULD DEFEAT THE DIABOLICAL DUCK AVENGER *ALONE*... THE SCRIPT MAKES THAT CLEAR!

A THOUSAND-YARD STARE! WHAT AN AMAZING ACTOR!

I DIDN'T THINK HE COULD PULL IT OFF!

WUP

GRRRR

THUD

HEY, HAS ANYONE NOTICED MR. LAVALLE? HE'S ACTING *PECULIAR!*

YEAH, BUT... HE'S *TOO SPACED OUT.*

EH, YOU KNOW HOW *DIVOS* ARE. WE'LL FIX IT IN POST!

LAVALLE'S JUST *UPSET* THE AVENGER FOUND US OUT! THAT, OR HE'S AFRAID D.A. WILL *STEAL THE SCENE!*

HAH! D.A. BEING *IN-THE-KNOW* ONLY MAKES HIM A *BETTER PERFORMER!*

THE EVRONIANS ARE FLEEING, SO THE *FINALE* IS NEXT!

CUT! END SCENE! TEN-MINUTE BREAK!

I HOPE WE DON'T GOTTA REDO THAT TAKE!

NAH! I'M SURE WE WON'T. WE DID FINE! BESIDES...

"...RIGHT?"

"...THE FILMING'S DONE NOW...

AVENGER– BEHIND YOU! THE LAND CRUISER!

EARTH ARMY

VROOOO

HIYA, GANG! CONGRATULATE ME WHENEVER! I WRESTLED THE CONTROLS FROM ***LAUGHING BOY*** HERE IN THE NICK OF TIME!

OOG... WHA' HOP'NED?

TUNNEL

PA

TWO AVENGERS?!

UM, NO. THERE'S ONLY ***ONE*** AVENGER, ACTUALLY.

EARTH ARMY

I SEE! SO YOUR ***MYSTERY ASSAILANT...***

ODIN HELPED ME UNMASK MY "SECRET ADMIRER"!

...IS A ***DROID HOLO-REPLICANT,*** COURTESY OF MY FACTORIES!

ZZZZZ

CLIK

YOUR ADORED ***"BETTER PERFORMER"...***

TLAK

...WAS ***BURTON LAVALLE!***

WHAT'D I DO?! WHY'S EVERYBODY TICKED AT ***ME?***

HOLD IT! GRASSHEAD DIDN'T ACT OF HIS OWN FREE WILL!

HE WAS ***SEMI-FREEZEFLAMED! BRAINWASHED!***

FREEZE***WHAT?*** WHAT'S ***THAT?!***

TOO MUCH TO EXPLAIN! BUT WHAT IT ***DOES*** MEAN IS...

IT MEANS THERE'S A ***REAL EVRONIAN*** AMONG YOU! I WAS WONDERING WHEN YOU'D FINALLY FIGURE OUT, ***DORK AVENGER!***

G-GORDON...?

WRONG, YOU OBTUSE TERRAN! NOT GORDON... BUT ***GRRODON:*** LAST OF ***IMPERIAL EVRON'S ULTIMATE WARRIORS!***

LAST ROACH? GOOD TO KNOW!

STRAP

QUIET, FILTH! I WAS THE ONLY ONE LEFT ON EARTH AFTER ***YOU*** DEFEATED MY PEOPLE!

I'M ***OLD*** NOW... MY ***SUPERIOR SPECIES*** LIVES MUCH LONGER THAN YOURS! SEE?

AND YOU ***CONDEMNED*** ME TO A ***LONG, HORRIBLE EXILE!*** ***TWO CENTURIES OF LONELINESS AND RESENTMENT!***

A NEAR-ETERNAL WAIT, BUT NOT ***USELESS***–THANKS TO DEAR, STUPID STY!

HEY!

WHEN HE ***PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED*** HE'D CONCLUDE HIS FILTHY SHOW BY BRINGING YOU INTO THE 23RD CENTURY, HE GAVE ***ME*** THE ***PERFECT OPPORTUNITY!***

NOT FOR A PETTY CHANCE AT VENGEANCE... BUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO ***REWRITE HISTORY*** FOR THE GLORY OF ALL EVRON!

YOU GOT YOURSELF HIRED SO YOU COULD ***REPROGRAM*** HIS "SUPER-EVRONIAN" DROIDS, DIDN'T YOU?

YOUR PLAN ***PUNKED,*** PURPLE-PEOPLE-EATER!

NO WORRIES. I CAN REMEDY THAT!

YOU'LL ***NEVER*** RETURN TO YOUR OWN TIME—MEANING YOU'LL ***NEVER*** STOP US! YOUR STORY ENDS HERE... ***IN YOUR FUTURE!***

THIS IS THE LAST *EVROGUN!* AND ITS CAPACITOR WILL *SEAL AWAY YOUR VITAL ESSENCE FOREVER!*

HURRY, AVENGER!

ODIN EIDOLON'S DEFENSE DEVICE! GET IT!

THE THING THAT ONLY WORKS ONCE! IF NOT *NOW...*

...WHEN?!

NO! IT'S NOT POSSIBLE!

PAK

NOOO!!! NOT AFTER ALL THESE YEARS!

RRAHK

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I WILL RETURN! YOU'LL NEVER STOP ME!

WAIT! YOU CAN'T–

FOOL!!!

ZZZ...

AGAIN?! NO... THEN IT REALLY IS WRITTEN...

...THAT PLANET EVRON MUST END WITH ME!

THAT MONSTER'S STEALING MR. EIDOLON'S LIMO!

PARKING

FFSSHH

ONCE IT'S OUT OF THE STRATOSPHERE, THE CAR WILL *DISINTEGRATE* DUE TO *EXPLOSIVE DECOMPRESSION!*

JUST ANOTHER REASON TO STOP HIM!

QUICK! SOMEBODY CALL THE *AIR FORCE* OR—

STOP, AVENGER.

BUT... HE *CAN'T!* THAT'S A *PLANETARY* VEHICLE!

HE'S GOING STRAIGHT UP! HE'S HEADED FOR THE *STRATOSPHERE!*

GRRODON IS OLD, TIRED, AND ALONE.

THE VOICE I HEARD EARLIER...

LET HIM FACE HIS *DESTINY.*

I KNOW YOU... *WHO ARE YOU?*

ODIN EIDOLON? HE GAVE ME THE DEVICE THAT SAVED MY LIFE...

TAXI

I CAN'T LET HIM LEAVE! HE'S GOT WAY TOO MANY THINGS TO EXPLAIN AND–

TIME FOR YOU TO GO ***HOME!*** YOUR TIME TRAVEL IS PRE-BOOKED! THEY'RE WAITING AT THE CHRONOSTATION.

YOU HAVE TO.

ONCE TEMPORAL TRANSFERS ARE BOOKED, THE TRANSPORTERS CAN'T ***WAAAA!***—

DUCK AVENGER!

ALREADY?

HUH. THERE I GO. HERE I AM. NICE TRIP. VERY NICE, INDEED.

:KRAACCKLE...: RECORD THE OPERATION!

CONTACT'S RESTORED TOO! ***HIYA, ONE!*** BROTHER, HAVE I GOT A STORY TO TELL YOU!

UH, OH... BUT ***THAT'LL*** HAVE TO WAIT!

VVVVVV

I ALMOST FORGOT... *THIS IS WHERE I CAME IN!*

THE DUCK AVENGER!

WHAT?! BLAST HIM!

"AND SO..."

HANDLING THOSE KIDNAPPERS WAS A PIECE OF CAKE...

...ESPECIALLY AFTER DEALING WITH GRRODON AND HIS SUPER-EVRONIAN DROIDS!

WHAT A *REMARKABLE* ADVENTURE!

I MUST ADMIT *ENVYING* YOU! I'D LOVED TO HAVE SEEN THE *23RD CENTURY...*

MAYBE! BUT YOU WOULDN'T LIKE ITS *TIMECOPS!* BESIDES, YOU'RE *WAY TOO NOSY!*

WHAT I'M NOSY FOR IS *NEW DATA!* THOUGH I'M SHOCKED YOU DIDN'T MEET A *FUTURE ME.*

MY CONFIGURATIONS ARE DESIGNED TO LAST WELL OVER *300 YEARS!*

VROOM BEEP BEEP VROOM

HOWEVER, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU FOUND SOME *AMAZING ALLIES* IN 2255!

YEAH... AMAZING AND *WEIRD!* FRANKLY, ODIN EIDOLON LEFT ME WITH MORE QUESTIONS THAN ANSWERS!

IS IT POSSIBLE... THE *DROIDS' CREATOR* IS AN ANDROID *HIMSELF?*

NO. ONLY *MORE QUESTIONS.*

HOW DID THAT GUY KNOW SO MUCH?

AND WHY DIDN'T THE *EVROGUN'S BEAM* DO ANYTHING TO HIM?

IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, WE KNOW SOMEONE ELSE *IMMUNE* TO EVRON'S PARASITIC WEAPONRY.

YOU'VE GOT A BETTER THEORY?

:GASP!: *LYLA!* BUT... SHE'S *SYNTHETIC!*

LIKE... THIS IS THE GADGET EIDOLON GAVE ME TO PROTECT ME FROM GRRODON.

HOW *COULD* EIDOLON HAVE ALREADY HAD IT ON HAND?

PUT IT IN MY *TECH SCANNER.* I WANT TO EXAMINE IT.

TLINK

NNNN

THAT'S INTERESTING... ITS DESIGN STYLE IS *UNMISTAKABLE!*

ON

YOU *RECOGNIZE* IT? CAN YOU MAKE *MORE* GADGETS LIKE IT?

THEY'D BE PERFECT FOR DEFENDING US AGAINST EVRON!

SADLY, THAT'S *IMPOSSIBLE.* IT'S BUILT USING *23RD CENTURY COMPONENTS!*

RECORD

BUT I CAN *ARCHIVE* ITS TECHNICAL DESIGN! I'M SURE IT'LL COME IN HANDY... IN THE *FUTURE!*

I AGREE, BUT... THAT STILL DOESN'T ANSWER HOW EIDOLON CREATED THE CRAZY CONTRAPTION!

WHO SAYS *HE* CREATED IT?

WHAT? WHEN?!

THE MINUTE YOU GAVE IT TO ME! ARE YOU TELLING ME YOU *STILL* DON'T KNOW WHO ODIN EIDOLON IS?

IT'S QUITE LOGICAL... EVEN IF IT IMPLIES A TINY *TIME PARADOX!*

IT'S VERY SIMPLE! I'LL EXPLAIN...

:UGH!: *STOP!* AFTER A DAY OF *CHRONO-AGONY,* I CAN'T EVEN HANDLE *SIMPLE STUFF!* ESPECIALLY YOUR *PAIR-O-DUCKS PARADOXES!*

HOLD THE EXPLANATION... AND THE INEVITABLE *HEADACHE* AFTERWARD!

BUT... IF EIDOLON DIDN'T INVENT IT, THEN *WHO* GAVE HIM THE DESIGN?

YOU DID, PARTNER!

STAR

LENOX AVE.

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KISS ME KAT

YOUR HARD DRIVE'S A LITTLE FULL, EH? I UNDERSTAND. GET SOME REST, AVENGER.

=YAWN...= THANKS, ONE. SEE YA TOMORROW.

GOOD NIGHT. AND NOW THAT HE'S GONE, I CAN TURN OFF THE LIGHTS.

LIGHT OFF

IT REALLY IS ELEMENTARY THOUGH. ODIN EIDOLON IS, OR RATHER, ***WILL BE*** A ***DROID!***

AN ***ADVANCED*** DROID PILOTED BY A REMARKABLE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE THAT, IN THE YEAR 2255, WILL BE AS OLD AS THE LAST EVRONIAN! AND WHILE HIS NAME, ***ODIN...***

...IS INDEED INSPIRED BY ***NORSE MYTHOLOGY,*** IT MEANS ***SOMETHING ELSE*** IN RUSSIAN...

...IT MEANS ***ONE!*** HUH. I WONDER WHY I CHOSE A ***RUSSIAN*** NAME?

ZT.

OFF

THE END

HEEEEEY KIDS! SO YOU WANNA BEAT THE EVRONIANS?

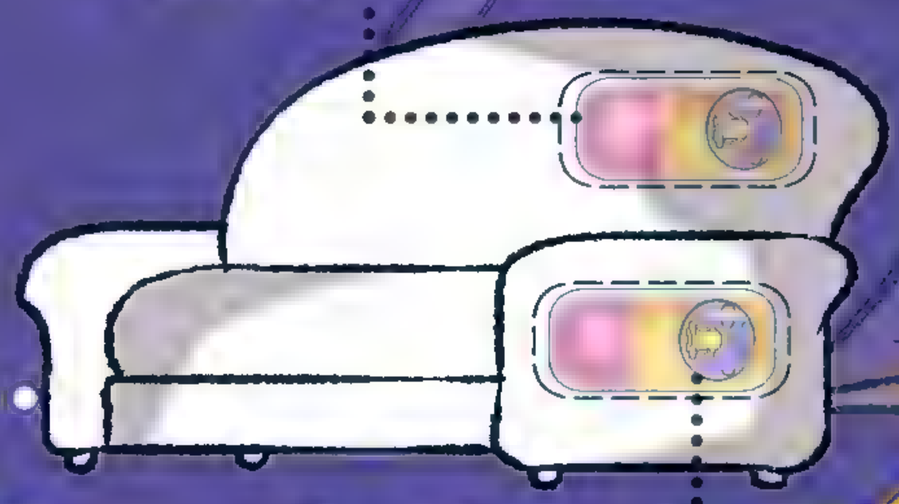
SIGNS OF INVASION #1: RECOGNIZING RASCALS! (THINGS ANY TRUE AVENGER FAN SHOULD KNOW!)

EVRONIAN INVASION PROTOCOL OFTEN INCLUDES THE INSTALLATION OF DORMANT EVRONIAN SCOUTS CAMOUFLAGED IN REMOTE CONTROL GACHA CAPSULES!

GACHA CAPSULES, POSITIONED 2X2 IN YOUR HOME MAKE FOR AN EASY "GOTCHA!"

GOTCHA GACHAS ARE PLACED WHERE LEAST EXPECTED...

GACHA CAPSULE #1

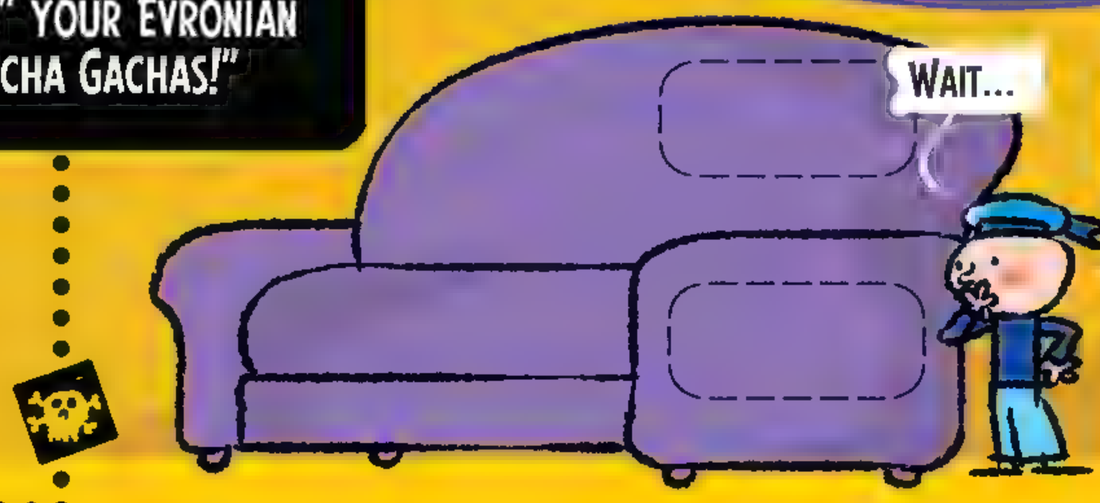


GACHA CAPSULE #2

RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS OF ODDBALL "GOTCHAS" WILL "GETCHA" YOUR EVRONIAN "GOTCHA GACHAS!"

SUSPICIOUS SIGNALS? TYPE A

DESPITE THE GOTCHA GACHA CAPSULE'S HIGHLY SPECIALIZED "GOTCHA" CAMO SYSTEM, SLIGHT ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES MEANS EVRONIANS CAN'T "GETCHA"...



SUSPICIOUS SIGNALS? TYPE B

THE "GOTCHA" PRESENCE OF EVRONIAN GOTCHA GACHA VANGUARDS CAN'T ESCAPE THE "GOTCHA, GONNA GETCHER GACHA" EYES OF DILIGENT "GOTCHA" PETS!

I TOLD YOU NOT TO TOUCH ANYTHING, DOOFUS!

WUZZAT, FLUFFY? WHATCHA SAYIN'?

THE FOOD WAS GOOD? THE FOOD FELL DOWN A WELL?!

WOOF
BARK
YIP
BOW-WOW

NO, YOU INSOLENT CHURL! ALIENS ATE MY FOOD! ALSO, EVERYTHING YOU MAKE TASTES GHASTLY!

YOU'LL RUIN OUR MISSION!

BEING TRAPPED IN THIS THING MAKES ME WEIRD AND HUNGRY... HUSH!

ALSO, "NUM-NUM DOG CHOW" IS DELICIOUS!

ANTI-INVASION PROCEDURES

SHOULD "GETCHER GOTCHA GACHA GOTCHAS" TYPES A AND B FAIL, TUNE YOUR TV TO THE WORST SHOW POSSIBLE AND GO FOR BROKE!

GAAAH!

THAT HUNK IS DREAMY!

WE NOW RETURN TO 204 UNINTERRUPTED HOURS OF THE "SOAP OPERA NETWORK!"

WITHIN 24 HOURS, YOUR UGLY PURPLE SOFA SHOULD DISAPPEAR...

?

CONGRATULATIONS!
YOU JUST FOILED YOUR FIRST EVRONIAN INVASION!* WOOHOO!

* NOTE: IF THE SOFA REMAINS IN PLACE, THEN TRY IT ON YOUR ARMCHAIR. GOTCHA!

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HEEEEEY KIDS! SO YOU WANNA BEAT THE EVRONIANS?

SIGNS OF INVASION #2: RECOGNIZING RASCALS!

("I THOUGHT I BOUGHT A PUPPY, BUT INSTEAD I BOUGHT AN EVRONIAN!")

IS YOUR PRECIOUS PET BEHAVING IN A SUSPICIOUS MANNER? IF SO, HE MIGHT BE AN MGPM* EVRONIAN SCOUT IN DISGUISE!

* MODIFIED-GENETIC-PROFILE MERCENARY!

COMMON CASES OF MGPM!!!

1

ACTION

PUT YOURSELF IN FRONT OF THE KITTY AND READ ANY DUCK AVENGER COMIC OUT LOUD...

REACTION

YUP. YOUR CAT'S AN EVRONIAN...

ALSO THAT'S NOT... NEVERMIND.

2

ACTION

STAND IN FWONT OF DA CUTESY-WUTESY PUPPY-WUPPY AND SAY OUT WOUD...

REACTION

NOTHING

YOUR DOG'S NOT AN EVRONIAN...

BUT, PLEASE... NEVER TALK LIKE THAT AGAIN. YUCK!

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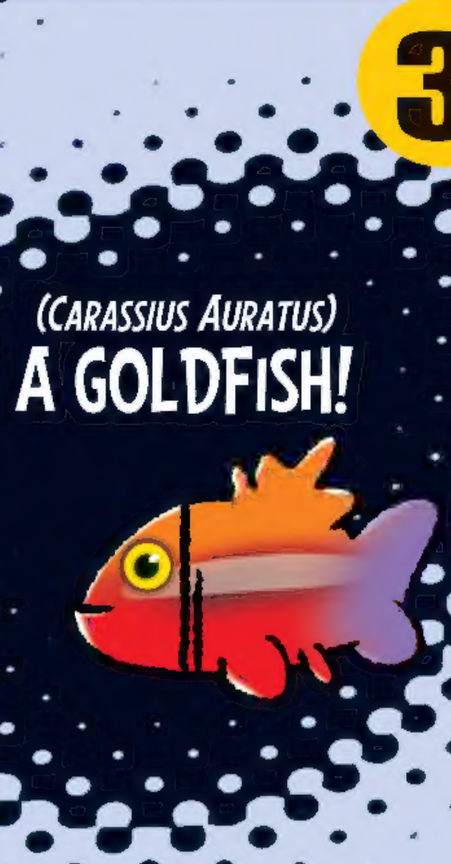


ACTION

CASUALLY DANGLE A LIVE PIRANHA OVER THE GOLDFISH BOWL...

REACTION

UM... YOUR FISH IS AN EVRONIAN... MAYBE?!?

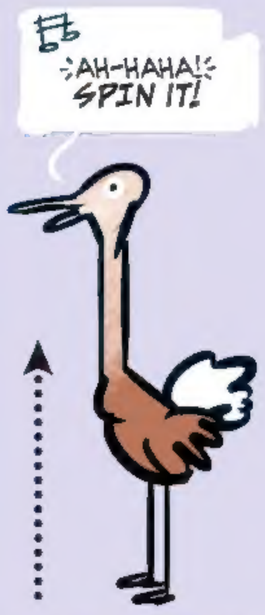
*P.S. THIS IS THE PART WHERE WE TELL YOU TO TREAT YOUR PETS WELL BUT... HONESTLY, WE'RE STILL TERRIFIED OF THAT CREEPY GOLDFISH!

OTHER UNUSUAL SUSPECTS

BUK-AWK... FOWL PLAY?

PURPLE CHICKENS?

EVRONIAN: HIGHLY PROBABLE.



SINGING OSTRICHES?

EVRONIAN: TAILSPINS HIGHLY PROBABLE.

MAN-SIZED BEETLE...

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